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To the Editorial Committee of WOMAN'S WORK FOR WOMAN.

DEAR FRIENDS: It gives me great pleasure to transmit to you the following copy of a Minute which was cordially and unanimously adopted by the Board of Foreign Missions at its meeting held May 3d:

"The Board extends to the Woman's Boards and Societies most earnest and grateful acknowledgment of their generous gift of \$2,500, from the proceeds of WOMAN'S WORK FOR WOMAN, and which has been used to meet the expenditures and reduce the deficit of the year just closed.

"The Board most heartily congratulates those who are charged with the management of this magazine, and those who urge its circulation, in view of the very great success of their efforts in producing so valuable and helpful a periodical, and so managing it as to make it financially profitable. It is the earnest hope and prayer of the Board that this valuable agency may be increased in usefulness and always accomplish spiritual results."

On behalf of the Board of Foreign Missions,

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) ARTHUR J. BROWN,  
Corresponding Secretary.

THE gift referred to above is only a fitting return for the kindness of the Board in providing us with free office room and all the advantages of the Mission House for nearly twelve years. It is in addition to \$578.54 sent to the Mission Press in Siam last Christmas.

THE Board of Foreign Missions will report to General Assembly a debt of \$97,454.47. The indebtedness one year ago was \$47,000 and legacies have since aggregated \$50,000 less than last year; the sum of these two amounts, it will be noticed, being about equal to the present debt. Only generous gifts in April kept it down to this figure. But if your peach buds are killed it does not make any difference what killed them, whether worms or frost. No plausible explanation of the debt alters the painfulness of cutting down growing work in the missions—or the bad economy.

THE Board of Foreign Missions has elected Charles W. Hand, Esq., Treasurer, to succeed William Dulles, Jr., Esq., resigned. Mr. Hand is an elder

in Lafayette Avenue Church, Brooklyn. He has been for several years New York manager of a large business corporation and began his new duties May 17.

IN connection with General Assembly, a Conference under direction of the Board of Foreign Missions, which was instituted last year and appointed to be annually held, will cover five consecutive sessions beginning Tuesday afternoon, May 18. A fine programme is prepared with speakers from all sections of the country, including Mrs. Perkins of Philadelphia and Mrs. D. B. Wells of Fort Wayne, Ind.

LITTLE May Hannum's death, from diphtheria, will touch the fountain of sympathy, especially in the hearts of parents. Her last intelligent utterance was to her father: "*Prärthandkard*"—make a prayer.

THE American Church in Montreal supports six missionaries: two in the far Northwest, two in Laos, two in connection with the Y. M. C. A. in Calcutta. The membership of their missionary society is about one hundred and fifty, but the whole church is active in its work. Miss Cort, who discovered the above facts in a recent visit to Montreal, also says that Lord and Lady Aberdeen have added a chapel to Government House in Ottawa; that while many additions have been built in the past—ball-rooms, billiard rooms, conservatories—this is the first time provision has been made there for Presbyterian worship.

A GENERAL religious interest is reported on Oroomiah Plain, Persia. In March, Miss Mary Van Duzee spent seventeen days out among the women. At Gulpashan they districted the village and some active woman of the church conducted a prayer service in each district. Another of those "Sarras" from the Seminary, "a capable woman of beautiful spirit," lives here, and the pastor made her overseer of all ten classes; the life and interest manifested by them was refreshing to Miss Van Duzee. Seventy addi-

tions to the church is the result of the revival in Gulpashan.

A RIOT arose in Tabriz, Persia, April 1, on the charge that an Armenian servant of the Russian Consulate had insulted a passing Mussulman lady. However that was, she sank down on the street, near the house of Rev. S. G. Wilson, calling for help, and it did not take long to gather two hundred rough Moslems in that street, who smashed doors and windows and looted four Armenian houses. For several days, beating and robbery of Armenians was heard of, and in the general panic nine hundred fled to the protection of the Russian Consulate, others to the French Consul, and the city did not quiet down for a week. Mission schools and services were at a standstill.

THE church among the Fang at Angom, Africa, numbers thirty-seven, of whom ten were received last year. This church is Rev. A. W. Marling's monument.

THE site for another station north of Elatte, in the Ngumba country, has been selected with reference to the Dwarfs, from whom several lads have been coaxed to Batanga.

THE Single Young Men's Corps in Africa is relatively larger than in other missions and we cannot forbear asking special prayer for their lives and labors. They are: Messrs. Kerr, Fraser, McCleary, on the farthest picket line at Elatte; Dr. Bennett on his way thither; Roberts, Hickman, Dunning at Batanga and seeking out the Dwarfs; Mr. Edward A. Ford, at present, home on furlough.

Six Mabeya women were baptized at Batanga last year—news that deserves a prayer of thanksgiving. "The Catholics are dead in earnest, have come to stay evidently. So have we all, bless God," writes Oscar Roberts.

THIRTY-TWO Bulu boys and girls can read the Bible at Efulen (Ā-full-en), and an inquiry class of twenty-eight persons has been instructed.

A MISSIONARY lately wrote defending Colombia against the charge of a bad climate: "The truth of the matter is, we are so few and so hard pressed that breakdowns are inevitable. It is comparatively easy where there is a large mission force, or stations are nearer together to lay aside

the burden for a few weeks when one gets worn, but here where each is burdened to the limit of endurance, and, to lay aside means to add to others' equally heavy cares, there seems nothing to do but plod on until deliverance comes in one way or another." And now the writer has broken down herself, as we hope only temporarily. She is Miss Florence Evelyn Smith of Barranquilla, and we echo her words: "It would be economy in the end to put a larger force at these weak points."

As to Auxiliary Meetings this month we prophesy there will be no long silences. "Foreign Missionaries"—is there any woman in the Presbyterian Church in whose mind there is not some outstanding name, or memory, or fact, or class of facts, forever precious and forever linked with foreign missionaries? The time will readily be filled. Upon topic, "Qualifications for appointment," we refer readers to Mrs. Dennis' article in WOMAN'S WORK, Nov., '96.

IT would be easy to cram the hour of June Missionary Meeting with illustrations found in WOMAN'S WORK of past years, upon topics (d) "Spirit of the Missionary" or (g) "Heroes and Heroines." You can find them, and they would be all the more effective illustrations because not written for the purpose, neither would they sound stale to your listeners. Bound volumes of this magazine standing on your shelf would often be a help. Those for 1893, '94, '95, '96 can be ordered as you send subscriptions (see fourth page of the cover); price, seventy-five cents.

SOCIETIES are referred to an admirable article for June meeting, "Trials and Joys of the Foreign Missionary," in the May number of *The Missionary Herald*. Send ten cents and order from No. 1 Somerset St., Boston, Mass.

IN Arroyo Hondo, Tabasco, where there is neither minister nor school, Mr. Millar heard a man seventy years old and his two grandchildren recite together seven chapters from the Gospel of Mark.

NAMES of all Indian Christians who could write them, in the vicinity of Wagah, went down to history on a sheet of paper, in the cornerstone of Miss Thiede's new house.

A HOME Mission Fund has been started in Kolhapur presbytery, W. India.

“You young men think that nothing has been done, but we who saw things at the beginning know that a great deal has been done.”—CAREY.

## MISSIONARIES STILL ON THE FIELD

AFTER TWENTY-FIVE, OR MORE, YEARS IN THE SERVICE.

*Africa*—Dr. Nassau (1861), Mrs. De Heer ('64), Mrs. Reutlinger ('66), Miss Nassau ('68). Mrs. Ogden went in '58, but was out of Africa twenty years.

*China*—Dr. Kerr (1854), Mrs. Nevius ('54), Dr. and Mrs. Farnham ('60), Dr. Corbett ('64), Dr. and Mrs. Mateer ('64), Rev. and Mrs. John Wherry ('64), Rev. H. V. Noyes ('66), Miss Noyes ('68), Rev. and Mrs. J. L. Whiting ('69), Rev. and Mrs. Geo. Fitch ('70). Mrs. Lowrie went in '54, stayed in America twenty-three years; Rev. and Mrs. D. N. Lyon went in '69, were in America five years.

*India*—Rev. J. S. Woodside (1848), Rev. M. M. Carleton ('55), Rev. R. Thackwell ('59), Rev. W. F. Johnson ('60), Mrs. John Newton ('61), Mrs. Calderwood ('63), Rev. W. J. P. Morrison ('65), Rev. and Mrs. Jas. Alexander ('66), Rev. C. B. Newton ('67), Mrs. Newton ('69), Rev. and Mrs. A. P. Kelso ('69), Mrs. Thackwell ('69), Rev. T. Tracy ('69), Mrs. Tracy ('70), Rev. and Mrs. J. F. Holcomb ('70), Dr. and Mrs. Newton ('70), Rev. G. W. Seiler ('70), Rev. J. J. Lucas ('70), Mrs. Lucas ('71), Miss Belz ('72), Miss Thiede ('73) and before.

*Laos*—Rev. J. Wilson (1858), Dr. McGilvary ('58), Mrs. McGilvary ('60).

*Persia*—Miss Mary Jewett (1871).

*Syria*—Rev. and Mrs. W. W. Eddy (1852), Rev. and Mrs. Wm. Bird ('53), Dr. Jessup ('56), Rev. S. Jessup ('63), Rev. and Mrs. O. J. Hardin ('71).

## A VISIT TO MISS JEWETT AT MIANDUAB.

The West Persia Mission at its last annual meeting in Tabriz set aside one evening for celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of Miss Jewett's arrival in Persia. In any event the completion of twenty-five years of such service as Miss Jewett has rendered was worthy of celebration. After supper, Mr. Wilson acted as toastmaster, and clever and loving speeches were made by Dr. Wright, Miss Holliday and Mrs. Wilson. A few days later, we having arranged to go to Hamadan by way of her station, Miss Jewett set out with us for Mianduab. It is a large town between the two rivers Jagatai and Tatavi. Mianduab means "between two waters." Great plains surround it, richly fertile where irrigated, yellow with melons as we passed, but in the main marked only by long-abandoned ruins of a magnificent irrigating system. The town was nearly wiped out by the Kurdish hordes of Sheikh Obeidullah in the invasion of 1880, who destroyed the houses in search of buried treasure.

Miss Jewett's house is a little building of sun-dried brick just like that of her neighbors, save in cleanliness and taste. It has one small room and a hallway. Her servant cooks her food in the open air against the wall, on an open smoking fire. Into this little house, Moslem women and children throng, not fearing. They are proud to have such a friend in the midst of them, and watch over her as their own. During a disturbance some time ago Miss Jewett heard the women warn-

ing men not to come into the street lest they should annoy her. Early Sunday morning they began to flock in and out. Some were quietly dressed in worn, faded clothing, but one wore a glorious *chuddar* with a whole circus on it and a man descending with a parachute. This particular menagerie and aerial feat seem to be great favorites with Persian women, for we have seen them in the most widely separated places. With the women came a baby boy just toddling alone, clad in a brief coat and great redness of legs, a little girl holding a piece of common broken glass as a great treasure, and babies and other children. Fifty or sixty in all came to the meeting, which Miss Jewett held in her hallway and in front of her house. In addition to the woman with the parachute *chuddar*, one came magnificently covered with a *chuddar* rich in swimming mermaids and birds of Paradise. The dogs crunched at their bones round about, the chickens climbed over the walls; a man who had been making a mud roof next door, all morning, came and sat on the edge of it and listened; some men came into the yard and sat on the outskirts of the throng of women and babies; the *charvadar* who had brought Miss Jewett from Tabriz came bringing a Kurdish looking, heavily armed companion; a Babi with whom Miss Jewett had had discussions slipped in: but the centre of all was the solitary woman, surrounded by friends who trusted her, a little group of women holding their *chud-*

dars over their faces and their babies in their arms, clinging close to her knees and looking out, they did not look up at her, with dead, dreary eyes ruined with antimony and taking in—what?—of the teaching given them.

It is an act of devotion for an American woman, in a hostile and fanatical Moslem land, to live ninety miles, a three or four days' journey, away from our countrymen or countrywomen; but it requires far greater heroism and sacrifice to lay aside all mental fellowship and descend to the level of the lowest. Mr. Coan and I tried to speak to the little group, but we felt that we neither reached mind nor heart. Great devotion, and mental adaptiveness as great, are needed for such work as He did who stooped to the lowest, "emptying Himself," and as some others are doing in His name. Miss Jewett has learned how to teach the poor, ignorant creatures who have had as little intellectual training as the cattle with which they live. "In talking to the people," she said, "I will read the Sermon on the Mount or some parable or Bible story, or I will let the people ask questions and lead while I follow, teaching them. The commands of Christ are almost always intelligible to them when explained, especially His words about washing the body and leaving the heart uncleaned. The twelfth chapter of Romans and the third of Colossians are very good. But the gospel of Mark is best of all, because it gives one story right after another in quick succession. It is splendid to read to them. Christ's words about forgiveness, 'even to seventy times seven,' fit many lives here." She began to read Matthew through to the women, but found they could not understand. "I am puzzled," added Miss Jewett, "just how plainly to say 'Son of God.' They misunderstand it. It frightens them." Our Lord's wise example in this matter is studied and followed by many, in Moslem lands, who are wise to win souls. "The story of the Creation and the Fall lead up to Christ. The last two chapters of Revelation are very good. They show the purity of heaven and who cannot enter in."

Miss Jewett has a little field among the fifty or sixty Armenians of Mianduab, but a worker of their own race looks after these and she reaches out toward the more

Christless. "I love the Kurds," she said, "and would like to work among them—the wilder, the better." The Kurds live further to the south. In her isolated station she is helping to solve one of the great missionary problems. Women missionaries have been conscious of the unsatisfactory character of superficial itineration rendered necessary, it has been supposed, by the demands of the institutional work of some central station. Not so many have made the brave attempt Miss Jewett has been making, of living among the people of some village where God seemed to have made ready the way, for such a season as would enable them freely to present His truth to those who would hear. None but a courageous woman of Miss Jewett's experience and tact and happy nature could even undertake such work alone, in a land like this, but she has shown that it can be done; and now after twenty-five years is the most progressive of the progressive and more enthusiastic than when, without experience of the adamant face of Islam, she came to Persia. She is proving also how wide open is the door for work among Moslem women when carried on with quietness and peaceful tact.

Miss Jewett gave us—Mr. Coan, Mr. Shedd and me—her guest room, the best she had, a borrowed room without windows, through which the horses and cattle came to their stalls. We slept on the earth floor, on our traveling beds, and looked up through the roof holes at the eternal stars of God. In the morning when we asked for water for a bath, it was brought in one of Miss Jewett's cooking pots which was to constitute our basin, our party of five having swamped her household arrangements. But these are the minutiae of missionary life. "The difficulties and troubles of missionary life are not those the people at home think of," observed Miss Jewett. "They are people, not things."

As we rode away our last view was of Miss Jewett standing, alone of her own people, in her gate, while there clustered about her the women and little children she came to Mianduab to help and to save, and I seemed to hear a voice saying gently, "Inasmuch as she does it to the least of these, she does it unto Me."



## FAMILY LIFE AMONG THE BULU.

It is synonymous with village life. There is no sacred spot called "home" to which the absent one longs to return. He sighs only for his "village." This is probably because the village is composed of older men, many of whom have a number of wives, and of younger men who have none but are in some way related to the other men. Each wife has a house of her own; but to this the public has free access. She has no privacy whatever, not even in giving life or leaving it, unless she fasten some pieces of bark over the two openings which serve as doors, and which are the only means of light and ventilation. In this house she sleeps and prepares the food, but here all semblance to a home ceases. There is no family gathering even at meal time. The children eat whenever, wherever, whatever and however they please. Men

gather in the palaver house and food is sent to them there in one large vessel, with a supply of leaves for dishes and spoons.

Our picture represents a good Bulu mother with her children, and with all her worldly possessions (except some pole beds) against the wall. She is one of sixteen wives and the only one of the number who has any children. Her name is Nga-ibai (two guns), and she is the hardest worker in the community. She plants, weeds, gathers and prepares and cooks all the food eaten by herself, her children, her husband, and many of her husband's numerous guests. She also cares for a little girl whose mother has eloped, and looks after a girl-wife that her husband has bought. With all her work she is cheerful, and often comes to Sabbath service to which she listens well. The little girl on her right is a perfect picture, with her shiny skin and plump body which she keeps so clean. You would enjoy seeing her wash herself under the eaves of the house during a shower of rain. The older girl is very motherly and takes good care

of the baby when it is left in her charge. This woman, her house and its belongings are all above the average. To have this picture rightly represent the average Bulu wife and her possessions, we must



A GOOD BULU WOMAN AND HER CHILDREN.  
Photographed by Dr. Johnson, at Efulen.

"We were fortunate to find one wearing so much cloth."

shorten the house considerably, remove four of the kettles, two of the wooden basins and one of the baskets, and substitute leaves and beads for the cloth the woman is wearing.

I am glad to add that we have a Christian workman here at Efulen, who has but one wife. He has also one little girl whom he loves dearly and who loves him and runs to meet him. He says he is going to build him a decent house, and I hope to live to see him establish a real Christian home. What we need in Bulu Land is native Christian homes. Pray that they may soon begin to be established.

Extract from a letter.

I had my Sabbath-school girls up yesterday. They arrived at 10.30 A.M., though I had told them to wait till afternoon. Of course they grew hungry, so I put some *cank* and bananas on the table and invited them to sit down. It was the first time any of them had ever eaten at a table in their lives, and before I knew what they were doing, they had

thrown refuse pieces on the floor under the table. I told them to leave them on their plates, but most were left on the table-cloth until they finished eating and were then picked up and put on the plates. The bananas were piled on a large platter in the center of the table and when the girls had finished their *cank*, I told them to help themselves to bananas. Immediately, each girl began reaching for them with both hands, some getting as many as seven or eight. I told them to put them all back and take one

at a time, explaining that "people" did not grab things. I have not yet decided whether I helped matters by my interference, for the way those bananas disappeared was a marvel. Two bites to a banana. Two dozen bananas to a Bulu is only a taste, such is their capacity. If we could only give them the Gospel in like doses! But a very little is all that can be understood at a time. But I have hopes of my girls, appetites and all. Some day they will want things different.

(Mrs. S. F.) *Mary Hays Johnson.*

#### PRIVATIONS AND PERILS OF THE MISSIONARY.

At first thought of this subject I am inclined to write in classic phrase, "Why, there ain't none." Instead of privations are grand opportunities, great privileges, and when, "Underneath are the everlasting arms," what perils can there be? But there are always two ways of looking at a subject, and lest some enthusiastic missionary-to-be should think the life a bed of roses filled with only lofty duties and exalted frames of mind, I will speak of a few things new workers must meet and against which they must guard.

There are some privations which a missionary endures, that any one must bear who leaves home and family in the service of his country, as a soldier or sailor, who seeks gold for himself or new conquests for science. Shall we make much of these? Shall we let friends at home make heroes of us because we do at the Lord's command what others do at the call of country, for their own ambition or love of money? Oh, no! Let Him who died for us claim our lives wherever He pleases, and let us only say, "We have done nothing but what it was our duty to do." It is a privilege to suffer something for His sake, and let us not be less brave and silent about it than those who wander the globe over from a far less inspiring motive.

But I am not thinking so much of privations as of perils. Not such as Paul experienced, "perils of waters, perils of robbers, perils of the heathen, perils in the city, perils in the wilderness, perils in the sea, in weariness and painfulness, in watchings often, in hunger and thirst, in fastings often, in cold and nakedness." There are still those, even in these days, called to pass through some of these distresses; some have even laid down their

lives for His sake. But of comparatively few of us has this sacrifice been required. Perils are more from the art and maliciousness of Satan trying to make our work ineffective and to starve our souls in the midst of plenty.

Peril Number One comes very soon after reaching the field. We have given up all, we think, for Christ: friends, home and country,—and it has been a hard wrench. We feel that we have done much, and, tired and spent, relinquish further effort, and we are soon wondering why everything seems dull and hard, and things are not what they promised to be. We have forgotten that we have only begun to yield our wills to God, and there are battles to fight after coming to the field as well as at home. We may be asked to give up still more for Christ's dear sake; this old self which is constantly cropping up must be put down, and things we have considered it lawful for us to have, we find we ought to relinquish for some reason. Day by day after our first whole-hearted surrender to God must we continually be yielding something to Him, and not cease to fight after one grand effort, nor think to lay our armor down until our Commander calls us home.

Peril Number Two comes from the tendency of our nature to get into a rut and to stay there. The missionary teacher is enthusiastic, desiring not to be a mere teacher of arithmetic, geography, etc., but a real evangelist seeking the souls of her pupils; but it is easy to forget and to be satisfied, when the routine work is over, to do the same thing next day. The doctor meets his patients and, forgetting the deep-seated sin-sickness of every one who comes to him, is in danger of mechanically giving this medicine to this one

and that to another, for the body only.

We need constant inspiration, constant infilling as well as giving out, and in order that we may have something to give out.

This leads me to Peril Number Three: the danger of neglecting Bible study and prayer. We need to study the Bible for our own sakes, that we may be filled with the "treasures of wisdom," may see how our Lord taught "having compassion on the multitude," and yet as earnestly preaching to one Samaritan woman. We need

[The above is all unconsciously an illustration of the last half of June topic (d): "Perils and privations—spirit of the missionary."—EDITOR.]

### "SPIRIT OF THE MISSIONARY" ILLUSTRATED

BY LETTERS FROM REV. ARTHUR W. MARLING, AFRICA, 1880-1896.

To the Board of Foreign Missions.

"GABOON, June 23, 1880.—Now that I am here, may the Lord use me for His glory.

"Sept. 3.—I have unbounded confidence in the word and spirit of God—the one the sword, the other the invisible warrior. It is my heart's intense longing to become able to wield this sword through the Spirit's might, in declaring to these people the truth of God.

"TORONTO, Can., Aug., '84.—We look forward to spending our life among them (the Fang). The people are longing for our return. We also long to return to them. I am not robust, but I cannot bear the thought of remaining so long away from my life work.

"E. PALMYRA, N. Y., Oct., '84.—(Both Mrs. Marling and myself having had recent attacks of fever.) Not without much pain I have come to the determination to ask an extension of furlough. In good conscience in the sight of God, without unfaithfulness to our Great Master or lethargy in His service, I do ask it.

"By all means I expect to return (to Africa) and that as soon as God opens the way. My heart is in the work. I know of no position or work that man could offer me which I would accept in exchange for it. May I live and die in it.

"TORONTO, March, '85.—As I look back upon my short time of missionary service I see glaring defects which have marred my usefulness and hindered my fruitfulness. God knows my heart is in the work and my chief desire is to be instrumental in winning these people to Him.

"LIVERPOOL, July, '85.—Very happy at the prospect of so soon re-engaging in our life work, in which are bound up our

to study the Word for the sake of those who need help from us. It is all *there*, all that they need to save and help them. How sad, if we know not where to look for what is needed and let them go hungry away! And we need to pray much. It is not safe to let anything interfere with close closet-communion with God. Then our adversary will rejoice that we have fallen into his snare and he has succeeded in making our work ineffective.

KOREA.

*Ellen Strong.*

most ardent hopes and warmest affections.

"ANGOM, Africa, Nov., '85.—It is our hope that we may be permitted by order of God's providence to spend what remains of our lives among these people.

"ANGOM, May, '86.—Yesterday I had the deep pleasure of baptizing eleven. I expect to spend much time again this week with those who have confessed. Our house is almost completed. We consider it a gem. May we be permitted to spend many years in it, doing the Lord's work among this people.

"ANGOM, June 13, '89.—We are far from contemplating any permanent absence from the land to whose service in the Gospel we have given our lives. Though the sickness I had was dangerous and Mrs. Marling's health has much run down, we do not think either of us has been affected by the climate to such an extent as makes it necessary to think of abandoning the field.

"ANGOM, '89.—We have learned to look upon the land of the Fang as our abode during the rest of our earthly pilgrimage, if such be our Heavenly Father's will. . . . We are indeed humbled that we are not better and more fruitful missionaries; yet the Lord has granted us such a measure of support and blessing that we are constrained to think, unless His future providences indicate otherwise, it is His good pleasure that we continue here.

"ENGLAND, June, '94.—You will rejoice with us in the first appearance in print of any book\* of the Bible in this (Fang) language. May it be used by the

\* Gospel of Matt. Translated by Mr. Marling, printed by the British and Foreign Bible Society.

Spirit of Life. . . . After correcting the proof of Genesis we shall be ready to return to Africa. We are not as strong as could be desired, but we are both strong enough to do some good work, as we hope by God's providence to be permitted and by His grace enabled.

"Sept., '94.—We feel deep joy at the prospect of resuming our life and labors among the poor Fang whom we have learned to love in Christ.

"Nov., '94.—Just anchored in Gaboon harbor. May we, through God working in us, now enter upon a period of faithful and fruitful service."

From last letter to his uncle, Rev. F. H. Marling.

"GABOON, July 13, 1896.—Some time ago we were shocked to hear from [his sister] that our dear mother had only a few months to live. You know something of the faithful and devoted love she has shown to us from the time of our birth until now. I feel safe in thinking that comparatively few have been blessed with so good a mother. Heaven will seem nearer and dearer when she is there.

#### TESTIMONY FROM ONE LONG IN THE CIVIL SERVICE, INDIA.

To the village women the appearance of a female evangelist must be, as it were, the vision of an angel from Heaven. To their untutored eyes she appears taller in stature, fairer in face, fairer in speech, than anything mortal that they had dreamt of before: bold and fearless without immodesty; pure in word and action, and yet with features unveiled; wise, yet condescending to talk to the ignorant and the little children; prudent and self-restrained, yet still a woman loving and tender. Suddenly their eyes, their ears and their hearts seem to realize, faintly and confusedly, the Beauty of Holiness, when they begin to hold converse, only too brief, with their sweet and loving sister who, smitten with the wondrous desire to save souls, has come across the seas from some unknown country to comfort and help them. Short as is her stay, she has as it were, with a magic wand,

Gradually are increasing in number those on the other side. *By and by (how soon, who knows?) our turn will come.* . . . But it may be that we shall be alive at the coming of our Lord for His people. "17th.—Wife, child and *self all well, thank God!*"

From letter of Mrs. A. W. M., Angom, Oct. 29, 1896.

"On Monday afternoon [the day of his death] he was speaking of his great weariness, and said, 'Oh, how sweet it will be to be over there, free from all weariness. . . . Those over there were often weary, perplexed and sad here; it seemed to them they would never get there.' Then he almost shouted, 'But they did get there; they did get there; and so shall we! Yes, thank God, through Jesus, blessed Jesus, so shall we!' He tried to repeat, 'Art thou weary, art thou languid?' so I sang the first verse. Some time after, 'How sweet the name of Jesus sounds.' He joined in a most broken and trembling voice, but followed me through except the last verse, and *that was his last articulation.*"

let loose a new fountain of hopes, of fears, and desires: she has told them, perhaps in faltering accents, of righteousness and judgment, of sin, repentance, and a free pardon, through the blessed merits of a Saviour. This day has salvation come to this Indian village! . . . .

Fifty years ago I knew an American Presbyterian Missionary in the Punjab; he lived a long life there. He and his colleague, Forman, were among the meekest of men. I described the latter, in 1861, as "meek as Moses and eloquent as Paul;" here is the character, written by me long ago, of old John Newton: For twenty years I was an official, in relation with him, and never heard a complaint from his lips, but I marked well his consistent Christian walk. There are many others of this stamp, and I wish that all were like them.—*Robert Cust, in "Missionary Methods."*

#### MODE OF LIVING AMONG MISSIONARIES IN BULU LAND.

Life in Africa differs somewhat at the different stations. Along the Coast there is no necessity of having goods transported on a man's back for days before they reach their destination, but at Efulen

and Elatte, seventy miles and one hundred and forty, respectively, from the beach, it is otherwise. Therefore bulky articles must be made at these places. Our beds, tables, book-shelves, cupboards, are made

by the missionary. We have very comfortable bark houses with roofs made of bamboo thatch. Our floors are bare and so there is no worry about the amount of mud our African neighbors bring in during the rainy season.

In each of the two houses where there

content if she has her table linen, dresses and handkerchiefs ironed.

A part of the year native food is in abundance and there is no lack of variety. For the rest of the year, even sweet potatoes can scarce be gotten and a tin can must be opened. Fresh meat must be ob-



MISSION HOUSE, BARAKA, GABOON.  
Present Hostess, Mrs. Ogden.

[More missionaries have gathered around the dinner table in this house than in any other of the mission. In '81 "Father Walker" was here, using a bureau which Mrs. Leighton Wilson carried out to Cape Palmas in '34; it had been in constant use and looked "good for a half century more."]

are women to look after the housekeeping, the work is done by two Bulu boys about sixteen and a girl younger, all of whom attend school in the mornings.

In the rainy season washing can be done at the house as there is an abundance of water, but in dry weather water has to be carried a quarter of a mile up a very steep hill, so the clothes must be taken to the river and washed. Starch is not used, and Mrs. Missionary is quite

tained by the gun of the missionary, when he has time, or from the chicken house.

One must not have his work arranged so it cannot be interrupted, for there are callers at all hours of the day. Not to hear the Good News, but to see the white man's house. If the missionary stops work and entertains them a short time, she will have a chance to tell them of God's House. The days are happy ones because busy in the Master's work.

(Mrs. W. C.) *Emily Truax Johnston.*

#### THE MISSIONARY'S MODE OF LIVING.

I sometimes wonder if all missionaries worry as much as some of us about their style of living, and feel as keenly criticisms, not only of the occasional traveler but of Native helpers, church members and casual acquaintances. What searchings of heart, what tears, what anxious questionings, what experiments, wise

and unwise, in the direction of economy, what earnest discussions with fellow-missionaries, going over the same old ground, and generally, to use a homely phrase, "coming out at the same hole one went in at!" A few remarks of a helper, himself extravagant and inefficient, criticising what seemed to me a necessary expendi-

ture, have crippled my energy and embittered every morsel of bread I put into my mouth for months. Now I have been learning to look away from men's judgment to that of God only, and to feel that the only remedy is to realize our stewardship, to fully consecrate every cent of our income to God and constantly ask His advice and direction in using it in His service and for His glory. Something happened this week which helped me, and perhaps it may help other perplexed ones.

My Mussulman pupil, a thoughtful young man of about twenty, not a Christian, was reading the tenth chapter of Matthew. Suddenly he stopped and with a look of honest perplexity, but with perfect respect, said, "I do not think the sincere Christians here do as this chapter says. Jesus was poor and He sent His disciples out without money, but when I go, for example, to Mr. W's house, I see they have many handsome things." I said, "Most of those things which you see have been given by their friends as presents and to use for Jesus, and they do try to use them so. This matter often troubles us and we do not know exactly how we ought to live, but we try to please God and to consecrate all to Him. You know a Christian has no other work in the world but to live and testify for Jesus, so that all may learn to love Him."

He said, "Certainly, do not all real Christians always do so?"

I said, "They sometimes forget this world is not their portion."

To-day we were reading again in the

#### MISSIONARY SALARIES AND MODE OF LIVING.

Is it a remnant of the Old Adam in a missionary which makes the first thought, on taking up the subjects for our June meetings, an objection to this division?

The missionary receives a salary corresponding to that of a country minister in America, with a few perquisites made necessary by climate and the character of his work. There is little room for extravagance on the one hand, and he is not bidding for sympathy on the other. Why not observe the good old English rule, "Every man's cottage is his castle," and leave the sacredness of his home undisturbed? But let us not be hasty. We remember the frequent criticism of travelers which finds its way into the news-

eleventh chapter of Matthew, and I said: "You see John came austere, living under a vow, not eating and drinking with other people or like them, but like a very poor man. They said 'he has a devil.' The Lord Jesus came eating and drinking and they said 'He is gluttonous and a drunkard.' God sent them both kinds of messengers and they were suited with neither. Now we could live in a very small room with no carpet and no matting even, on the floor; we could dress like the poorest of your women and eat only dry bread and drink water. Would your people not say we were crazy, as now they say we are too luxurious? Is it not better for us to look only to God and be judged by Him? If we trust and consult Him, He will teach us how much or how little to spend, and we will be judged by Him and not by men."

He smiled as if satisfied, and replied, "I think my question is answered."

H. [of Persia.]

People will criticise us whatever we do. If we play tennis we are frivolous and worldly minded. If we do not play tennis we are hermits and neglect our health. If criticism comes from true Christians who know the facts and are in earnest sympathy with our work, we ought to be more than glad to hear and profit by it; but if from those who are not in sympathy with the spiritual character of our work, then we can spend half our time in answering such and not satisfy them.

S. A. Moffett [of Korea].

#### MISSIONARY SALARIES AND MODE OF LIVING.

papers and, though answered over and over again, still appears to the detriment of the cause of missions. These criticisms are accepted as an excuse by those who are only too glad to have their consciences eased, and to be relieved of a burden of gift or service, while they discourage faithful but uninformed workers, whose own economy and sacrifices give them reason to condemn prodigality.

Again, there is a great disparity in the style of living of a missionary and his poorer native brethren, in whose eyes the simple comforts of a plain European home are greatest luxury. This has suggested to the tender consciences of many missionaries the idea of conforming more

nearly to the mode of life of those they come to save. But the Lord, while preserving them from many dangers and often healing their diseases, does not, in His wisdom, make them proof against the effects of climate and exposure, and the same good judgment in self-protection is required, as of their fellow Europeans. If in a hot climate, the pith hat and covered umbrella are but samples in changes of habit which must be made at every turn. Must the missionary's family spend months in a house from which the heated outer air is excluded for twelve hours of daylight? Then rooms must be large and ceilings high. Barn-like places they are, till the deft hand of the housewife spreads her rugs on the matted floors, hangs her pictures brought from home on the blank wall, disposes a little drapery here and there, chooses the prettiest cane chairs she can find, and arranges these with other furniture to the best advantage. Nearly everything may be of native manufacture and inexpensive, but what a transformation! How restful such a place to the weary zenana worker, after hours in the hot, perhaps fever-stricken city. Still worse than this to her, is the gaze of stolid ignorance and depravity which has met her at every turn, and the depression of heathenism. It must all be felt to realize the refreshment of a clean, bright Christian home.

But what about the impression made upon the people by such an establishment? True, the poor brother just out of heathenism looks upon his spiritual father as the possessor of unbounded wealth. What can and ought he not to do for him? "I am your child," he says, and the natural sequence in his own mind is—you should feed and care for me. Quite unconscious is he of the bad effect such provision would have on himself, were it possible to the missionary. But like our own

children, he must accept the dictate of wisdom from this same spiritual parent, who in turn must be content to wait, perhaps long years, before his child has learned to appreciate it.

Those devoted servants of Christ, who have tried to conform to the customs of the poorer classes in India, have testified to their disappointment in results. Has such an one thought to meet the Indian on his own ground, he must walk when weary and when the sun smites, eat food at which his digestive organs rebel, live in a small room whose foul air leaves him sick and faint. And what is the result? He is called a loafer and his sacrifices are put down to poverty, the probable result of laziness and vice. Consequently he fails to get a respectful hearing, when he tries to deliver the Gospel message. Or, the people may take another view: his simplicity is assumed for the sake of his religion, a purely selfish matter, to propitiate his God and secure his entrance into Heaven. Then he is compared with the *fakirs*, his plain living with their austerities, filth and vermin, and it is needless to say which is the superior in Indian estimation.

Some missionaries who made a preaching tour on those lines, going without tents and with as little baggage as possible, hiring native bedsteads at night, were accosted with the exclamation "What luxurious men; you have a quilt over you and *another under you!*"

A missionary of our acquaintance who, in the zeal of his youth amid his abundant labors, neglected his health, has paid the penalty by years of weakness. A native brother comparing him with a much older worker said of the latter, "He is the pattern; he works hard, but he takes care of himself."

(Mrs. C. B.) *Margaret B. Newton.*

#### LOW-DOWN IDOLS DEMOLISHED AT PAOTINGFU, CHINA.

A short time ago I was calling on Lady Ch'ên, mother of the *Fu t'ai*, and showing her a colored picture book. Several were much interested in the pictures and asked me about one of them, if "that was not a fox?" I said "Yes." The younger Lady Ch'ên remarked in a bright way, "We worship the fox, because it has a human intellect. Do you worship the fox?"

I replied, "No, we do not worship the

fox, nor the weasel, nor the rat, nor the snake, nor the hedge-hog." She quickly responded, "*We*," meaning their family, "do not worship the hedge-hog," as if she drew a line there.

These five worthies I have named have a temple erected to them in Pao'fu and every mandarin in the city bows at their shrine. No doubt Li Hung Chang, who seems to have captivated the Christian world, also bows his poor old heathen

knees before the same gods, "rejecting two things that are foreign, Christianity and opium."

(Later).—I wrote you by last mail an incident in my calling on Lady Ch'en in regard to worshipping the fox, mentioning, I believe, the fact that there is a temple in this city in which fox, weasel, rat, snake and hedge-hog are worshiped. On Friday night at midnight, by order of the *Chih Hsien*, these five idols were beaten to pieces, and the silver heart and lungs which constitute the life of the idol (hung within an aperture left in its back and pasted over after these things are suspended) — these silver articles were carried to the *Chih Hsien* as proof that the idols were demolished. He is a wonderfully upright man for a Chinese; he

will not allow bribing and "squeezing."

I cannot but hope this may be the result of denouncing this particular temple. My son told us not long ago that a man came to him and advised him not to do it! Mr. Lowrie has often remarked, in regard to these particular idols, that they were too low down in the scale of living things to think of reverencing them. He has often said to the people: "You worship rat, snake, weasel, fox, hedge-hog; all night animals that are cunning in their nature, but you refuse the Lord of Glory who would lift you up out of your darkness and degradation." These idols in Paotingfu are destroyed; whether they will be resurrected or not remains to be seen.

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*Amelia P. Lowrie.*

## DOMESTIC INDUSTRIES ON MISSION FIELDS—A SERIES.

### I.—HOUSEKEEPING.\*

Cassava is the bread of the West Coast. There, African housekeepers may be seen any day going to the nearest stream, singly, in twos, threes, or dozens, each



WEST COAST WOMEN POUNDING CASSAVA WITH WOODEN PESTLES AND MORTAR.

carrying a big basketful of brown cassava roots on her head and in her hand a hoe and bunch of plantain leaves. With the hoe she scoops out a deep hole in the mud or gravel—scrape, scrape, scrape, perhaps a dozen hoes are heard at once—she lines the hole with her plantain leaves, dumps in her cassava, covers carefully, heaps the gravel on top, pats and smooths the mound with her hand, as an American woman pats her loaf of bread or smooths the edges of her pie, she plants three or four sticks to mark the spot and leaves the bread of the household to be soaked through by pond or river water. This is in order to eliminate the small per cent of poisonous juice which it contains.

The manioc grows, shrub-like, five or six feet high, with leaf and blossom resembling the potato or tomato. The roots are as large as big sweet potatoes.

Some days after, our women come again, with an escort of droll-eyed little woolly-heads. They dig up their buried cassava roots, wade out with them to where the water is knee-deep, wash, peel and pile them up, now snowy white, on a large, round tray. Then each washes her basket, her hoe, and lastly, seizing some plashing little fellow in the water, washes him too, and mother and children troop home to breakfast.

\* For articles relating to housekeeping in WOMAN'S WORK, see Oct., '88, Mrs. Wilson, Persia; Oct., '93, Mrs. Van Hook, Persia; Jan., '93, Mrs. Harris, Syria (bread-making); Feb., '93, Mrs. Mateer, China.



Now the cassava is crushed between two stones, or by a large wooden pestle in a wooden mortar or trough. Several handfuls of the pulp are then placed between two large plantain leaves and moulded into a cylindrical form about fourteen inches long and two in diameter, the leaves are fastened with banana fiber and it is put to boil in an iron pot.

At Batanga, this preparation is called *mevândá*, and it will keep for several days. The people usually eat it with salt and a great deal of cayenne pepper. They also cook it as we do potatoes, or cut it up in chips, cook it and eat with fish and meat. It is the staple food of Batanga district, as corn, the only grain cultivated there, cannot be preserved unless it is smoked. Foreigners eat *mevândá*, but with less pepper than natives use.

At Benito the Christian women tith their garden products. Mrs. Reutlinger once said: "We are pleased when the women come with their ten rolls of cassava, laying one roll across the heap. When we ask 'What is this?' they reply cheerfully, '*Opela Upangiyi*'—it is the Lord's."

Save their cooking, the hard-working women of the West Coast make small outlay of strength on what can legitimately be called 'housekeeping.' Theirs is a rougher lot.

Gathered from Missionary Letters.

Achсах said to her father Caleb, "Give me a blessing, for thou hast given me a south land, give me also springs of water." To this day the question of water stands uppermost in the Syrian's mind. The first query put to a newcomer is, "How do you see the water of our village?" The water of one fountain is "light," that of another "heavy," why or how the Syrian alone can tell, and that he does after one long, deep draught.

Who has ever visited the "Fountain of Iron" and the fountains of "Milk" and "Honey," and the many others with less delectable names, on Mt. Lebanon, and has drunk his fill after a hot, weary ride, or soaked his grapes in their ice-cold waters, without sharing the Syrian's gratitude to God for this "blessing?"

While watching the Lebanon women toil up and down the slopes with jars of water on their shoulders—the village fountain sometimes a mile away—one can

imagine the eagerness of the woman of Samaria as for a brief moment she dreamed of a freedom from so much arduous work.



PERSIAN GIRLS SWINGING THEIR GOAT-SKIN CHURN

Harder still is it for the women and girls of Siloam, who stagger up the steep slope from the Virgin's Fountain in the valley of the Kedron, with large, unwieldy water skins on their backs, a band around their foreheads bringing a large share of the weight on the head, as do their Persian sisters with their jars of pottery. Woman is the water-carrier of the world, with her jars, skins, calabashes, carried on her head as in Egypt, Colombia and India, or on shoulder or hip as in Syria, parts of India, Africa and other countries.

The water carrying forms a large part of the average Syrian mountain woman's housekeeping. Then comes the preparation of the two meals a day with careful neatness or slovenly disorder, according to the personality and training. A constant raid upon invading chickens and a little desultory sweeping, and the ordinary housework is done. No bric-à-brac to dust, not even any furniture, as the one possible chair is hung on a hook on the wall out of harm's way, until some honored guest shall come to occupy it.

Shall the housekeeper have a dinner of greens? She takes a knife and basket, steps over a low stone wall, and there is



MEXICAN GIRLS CARRYING WATER.  
From photograph by Rev. C. D. Campbell.

her grocery store—greens for the digging—and no one but a Syrian woman can

make of them such a savory dish; a little oil, a few onions, a handful of dried peas and some lemon juice—a dish for a king. And Esau's mess of pottage! We do not wonder that his hungry soul answered to the delicious odor that came from the bubbling pot of lentils.

A feast-day will call for the dish which some one has characterized as the Syrian's turkey, plum pudding and mince pie, all in one. The raw meat is pounded so sedulously and long, and then for a still longer period with cracked wheat, that the verse in Proverbs, "Though thou shouldst bray a fool among wheat in a mortar with a pestle, yet will not his foolishness depart from him," seems to suggest this lengthy process.

The milk of cows, goats, sheep and buffaloes in different countries provides butter, cheese and curds in great variety of form. Persian women use a skin for a churn. In Syria all milk is scalded as soon as it comes to the house. Natives think it is not good "raw," and foreigners fall into the usage which is doubtless hygienic. D.

#### ORGANIZATION OF KOREA MISSION.

I have been asked to describe the organization of our mission in Korea. We have a fairly compact organization. Two little books govern the mission. One is the Board's *Manual*, legislating in matters between the missionary and the Board; the other is the mission's interleaved *Rules and By-laws*, regulating local work, which is altered slightly from year to year. One feature of the latter is the course of language study and missionary reading to which members are held for a term of years. Each station has a regular Chairman and Secretary, even if there is only one man to fill both offices. Monthly station meetings are held, whose proceedings are a matter of record. At these meetings letters from the Board are read, station business is transacted, circular letters on their way around the mission, making requests of the Board, are discussed (Seoul Station refuses to sign such a circular until its contents have been discussed in station meeting). Also monthly orders on the Mission Treasurer are voted upon, which are in the form of a printed leaf taken from a stub-book and which require the signature of the Station Secretary in or-

der to receive payment. While salaries are drawn monthly, for the convenience of the Mission Treasurer in Seoul, all other money items can be drawn only at one meeting in three months.

We come now to mission organization. Annual Meeting of the mission convenes in late October. Interspersed among its meetings held each long forenoon, are sessions of the "Council" of the three Presbyterian bodies under which our Korean religious work is organized. All large questions of policy or business are reserved for full discussion and decision at this time, and withal it is a season of glad re-unions and, certainly in late years, of spiritual uplift.

At the first session of Annual Meeting three officers are elected: the Chairman, chosen each year, the Secretary, and Treasurer, who are practically permanent officers. Last fall an innovation was tried. The second day of the meeting was devoted to Bible study, confession and prayer; the influence of that day was felt through all the business sessions. The third morning, after a communion season, business begins with reading reports. No station can be heard unless there has pre-

viously been placed in the hands of the Secretary two copies of each report, written on Board paper, with red ink paragraph headings, one copy to be sent to New York, and one to be filed with the mission Secretary. The real business is done mostly by committees, after full discussion by the mission. About half the mission committees contain at least one lady. Voting is done by all the men of the mission and the unmarried ladies. Among the dozen committees are that on Language Examinations and the Appropriation Committee. No new building

can be built until its plans and figures have been approved by the Property Committee. The Editorial Committee, among other duties, is expected to see that the mission is properly represented in the Church periodicals once a year, and the large Committee on Sub-stations and Apportionment of Work practically settles where each missionary is to live and what he or she is to do. Near the close of the Annual Meeting one or two happy, social evening gatherings of missionaries are held.

*Daniel L. Gifford.*

#### POSITION AND TREATMENT OF WOMAN IN INDIA.

There is no real family life in India. There could not be when Hindu philosophy teaches that "He is a fool who considers his wife his friend." A few extracts from a Hindu catechism will give an idea of the position of woman in India.

*What is the chief gate to hell?* Woman.

*What is cruel?* The heart of a viper.

*What is more cruel?* The heart of a woman.

*What is most cruel of all?* The heart of a soulless, penniless widow.

*What poison is that which appears like nectar?* Woman.

As in many Asiatic languages, there is no word for "home" in the Marathi. Many women live under the same roof, for, as the sons of a family marry, young wives are brought to the parents' house. As a rule the women do not read, hence much time is spent in idle gossip or quarreling. A wife does not eat in the same room or at the same time as her husband. A man's sister, mother and children may eat with him, but not his wife.

A young Hindu one day said to me, "A woman's God is her husband. When she serves him, she serves God. In fact, his commands are to be obeyed before God's."

It may not be the intention of Indian men to be cruel to their wives but they know not how to be kind and considerate. A strong stalwart man came into his house one day while I was talking with the

women and ordered his wife, who had a badly swollen foot, to get up and bring him a drink of water.

Much has been written on the condition of widows in this land, but the half has not been told. Some of us were invited to pay a visit at the house of a Brahman. The married women, expensively attired and decked with jewels, came out to receive the guests, while the poor old widow who had been "as a mother to all" only dared to peep through the door to see the Europeans.

On a recent and somewhat extended tour, it was noticeable that the men tried to keep the women from listening to the gospel story. One very sad-faced woman, after listening for a time, looked up and eagerly asked "Will I be saved if only I say 'Lord Jesus'?" When she had heard more about our Lord's willingness to forgive and save she replied, "Every morning when I awake I will take the name of Jesus." This is the only hope for the women of India. They need to know Jesus, to take His name.

We are seeking in every way to make His name known. Is there not something more that you can do in order that the women of this vast land may know Him who has ever been the Friend of woman and whose first words after His resurrection were: "Woman, why weep-est thou?"

*Amanda Jefferson.*

#### OUR MISSIONARIES IN AFRICA,

##### AND POST OFFICE ADDRESSES.

Direct letters for Batanga and Bululand, "Batanga, Kamerons." All others, "Gaboon, Congo Française, *via* Paris."  
 Mrs. T. Spencer Ogden, Baraka. Mrs. Louise Reutlinger, Benito. Mrs. Herman Schnatz, Batanga.  
 Miss Hulda Christensen, Benito. Mrs. Newman H. D. Cox, Batanga. Mrs. Silas F. Johnson, Efulen.  
 Mrs. C. De Heer, Miss Isabella A. Nassau, Mrs. W. C. Johnston, "

*In this country:* Miss Louise Babe, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Bannerman, Clifton Springs, N. Y.; Mrs. W. C. Gault, Fernwood, Ohio.  
*In England:* Mrs. Arthur Marling.



EVERY DAY BRINGS A SHIP  
EVERY SHIP BRINGS A LORD!

## AFRICA.

MR. OSCAR ROBERTS writes from BATANGA, March 12:

There are still ten Mabeya communities within a day of Batanga, besides the town of Fang people which has moved in. There have been services on Sabbath, some of the time, at all of these places except one, and at some of the places all the time. The church at Kribi looks after two places, two men in Miss Nassau's class after two of the others, and men who were in the Mabeya school last year hold other services as best they can.

We do thank God for all of His blessings in this work the past year; but oh, how we feel the need of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon us all, that He may give some no peace until they find it in Christ; that the Holy Spirit may teach those just beginning the joy of, not only knowing Christ as a substitute for them from eternal death, but also as a substitute here for their own self life. Not only that they may have peace with God, but also the peace of God; not only love for Christ, but also the love of Christ; that they may learn the secret of the Cross to lose our wills in the will of Christ, "through the eternal Spirit," just as Christ lost His will in the will of God and offered Himself without spot to God through the eternal Spirit. What a Saviour we have, not only to save us from hell but to save us from ourselves here, making us alive to God.

So may the Holy Spirit lay upon many a heart a burden for the salvation of these poor people, praying very definitely for these two things: that He may convict of sin those away from God, throwing upon *them* the responsibility of receiving or rejecting the Lord Jesus; and that He may teach all of us who believe Him more and more the joy of a surrendered life. He is our sole need, the Representative of our Lord.

Don't forget to pray for the Dwarfs. Their skins may be a little lighter than their neighbors', but their hearts are in the same darkness; their bodies may be smaller, but there is a big place in their hearts for the Holy Spirit to live.

## LAOS.

BY ELEPHANT FROM NAN TO PRĀĀ.

DR. MARY BOWMAN of NAN wrote of her first trip by elephant, last autumn:

I had heard people describe elephant riding, stopping over night in a *sala* (rest house), etc., but I find my conception of either was very vague.

In view of the fact that Dr. and Mrs. Briggs were to remove to Lamphoon, a five or six days' elephant journey from PrĀĀ, it was decided that I was to take the doctor's medical work temporarily.

Going to PrĀĀ seemed quite an event. To see other people and go into their homes was a pleasure which one knows nothing of in lands where people live near together. Yet there had been no thought of getting tired of Nan and our little family. I was loth to leave my first Laos home. However, when I realized that the change was to come, I felt quite like a child, a naughty joy and sorrow.

Dr. Briggs came and spent three days in Nan. Had the roads been better and the numerous streams not so swollen, we would have left on horseback. It was on a Saturday morning early, my baskets were taken by the carriers, *à la* Chinese, one on each end of a bamboo pole and carried over the shoulder. Two elephants with the large riding howdahs, the tops of which made me think of the Quaker bonnets of long ago, were brought to the door. Mattresses, water jar and handbag were put in and I was told to get up on top of the verandah railing, step on the elephant's head, then into the seat, and rest my feet on his shoulders. For five days I had a veritable tread machine on those shoulders. I supplied myself with several books and chuckled when I thought of the long hours I would have undisturbed, but alas, at the end of the preface of the first book, after many attempts to follow the lines, much more time was spent trying to find the lost place than in reading. I soon felt a queer sensation which reminded me of the experience I had with sea sickness. My lunch, which Mrs. Peoples had so beautifully arranged, was not appreciated since we could not stop at noon, and both

Dr. Briggs and I had lunches on the elephants. My driver munched away at his rice several times, for the rest, chewed betel or smoked cigarettes.

Sala Bon was reached about sundown and I was glad to feel the earth under my feet once more. My room was curtained off in the farthest corner, Dr. Briggs' ditto in the corner nearest the entrance, mats for the ten or twelve men were spread here and there all over the room. After prayers and a couple of Lao hymns our *sala* was soon quiet, and how quaint and weird it all seemed! A very swift stream near made one think of a cataract. Thousands of insects each chirped their own language, and I did not know we were near any human habitation. The village was hidden by trees and heavy underbrush. Next morning I was exceedingly sorry to find Dr. Briggs had fever all night; there was no abatement for two days. Sunday was spent quietly. Had we been able to get good water we would have been comfortably settled, but only river water was to be obtained and it was red, thick, odorous—not a sweet odor either. Boiling and straining did not make it drinkable.

Despite Dr. Briggs' illness we started on our journey again Monday, and a hard day it was. We were obliged to travel three hours after dark. Many places in the road were steep. We crossed one stream at least fifty times and the rains had swollen it, but an elephant is able to travel where a horse cannot; they are very sure-footed, so one really need feel no alarm even in crossing what seems impassable. In fifteen hours' constant travel this day we passed only two houses. With the exception of one rice field and one mountain crossed, our road was only a trail through dense jungle. Our carriers had been so detained crossing the streams that they did not get to the *sala* and were obliged to sleep in the jungle, so we had no supper, but Dr. Briggs was still sick and wanted nothing, and to me nothing seemed quite so desirable as my couch. I was dead to the world until the morning. The carriers came up early and I was quite ready for breakfast. Here again we found no good water. The place was wild, large forest trees surrounding the *sala* and no habitation near. The remainder of the journey was made with much greater ease.

#### AN INCONVENIENT WETTING.

On Tuesday evening after getting settled in a *sala*, the inside blackened with smoke and festooned with cobwebs, I started out for a walk. The sun was shining, but before long a hard rain came and I was most thoroughly drenched. One of the elephant men ran after me with an umbrella, but the only benefit I got from it was the kind thought. The carriers had not come and I had no change of clothing, so my only resource was to go to bed. I hung my clothes on the black wall and wished for

dry ones. The next morning they were still wet, so I put on my mackintosh, stretched a cord in the back of the howdah and traveled with the "family wash" hanging. Fortunately the sun came out bright and hot. I found the mackintosh was not the most suitable dress, but the day passed happily. I could whistle and sing, even if reading was denied and my driver proved to be quite communicative. Dr. Briggs was rid of his fever, but very weak.

The next day, Tuesday, at 2 P.M., we passed through the city gates down through the muddy streets of Prää, out again across the moat and into the mission compound, and a sweet going it was, too. The Shields and the Briggs\* families have moved into their new houses, which were two years in building, wide verandahs and airy rooms which all breathe a sweet welcome to strangers. Large grounds face the river and they have a splendid view of the mountains.

The trip from Nan scarcely made me tired. I am quite as able for hard work as when at home.

Pray for the health of the missionaries. Many of them have failing health. The climate is trying and few endure it. Many suffer almost continually.

## INDIA.

### HARD TIMES INDEED.

MRS. HOLCOMB OF JHANSI writes March 25:

India is now a greatly afflicted country, for we are in the shadow of both pestilence and famine. It seems hardly consistent with facts to speak of "hard times" in America, where luxury is the rule and not the exception. Here we know the meaning of the term in its sad significance, when people about us are dying of starvation. My husband has just now returned from the District, where he has seen such suffering as has brought heartache. Happily, he was able to relieve the worst cases. He expects to go out again in a day or two, though the heat is now very great. The plague, which for months has been in Bombay, Karachi and Poona, is now within twelve miles of Jhansi, on the borders of the Gwalior State, imported from Bombay by a villager returning to his home from the infected district.

We expect, unless illness should compel us to leave home, to spend the entire hot season on the plains—not perhaps a wise decision after our many years in India, but the needs in this time of dire distress are so great that we feel unwilling to leave home. Smallpox is now prevalent in the city, famine-fever will doubtless sweep away great numbers, and cholera too may visit us. The times are indeed "hard" to the Christians in our communion, as they are in receipt of small incomes and must live very prudently in "good times," but they are patient and uncomplaining.

\*Dr. Briggs moved to Lampooon and Dr. Thomas has taken his place.

## IN MORE THAN FIFTY VILLAGES.

MISS EMILY T. MINOR writes from RATNAGIRI, March 11 :

When I returned from Annual Meeting I had the pleasure of bringing with me Miss Grace Wilder. We made our journey slowly, with the special aim of visiting smaller villages where there was the least probability of the Gospel having been heard.

A few days later Miss Jefferson and I went on a five days' tour to a large town about fifteen miles up a creek that here joins the sea. We hired a boat, took our clothes and provisions and three Christians with us. We stayed at a rest house for headquarters, and visited surrounding villages, spending five days in this way, then returned home and packed provision and clothing for our next tour. We started again and went over eighty miles to the southeast of Ratnagiri, preaching in over fifty towns and villages. This tour took over a month. In many places the people were frightened and fled in various directions when they saw us. In one village we could scarcely find a listener, for the people had shut themselves in their houses, thinking we had come to carry them off.

## AN UNEXPECTED OPPORTUNITY.

In one place we had a wonderful opportunity to talk to some Brahman women. We arrived in the town Saturday night and Sunday morning went out to preach. We met a crowd of Brahmans who only wanted to argue and our two helpers could scarcely make themselves heard. The next afternoon we were looking for a place where the people would listen, and as we went along a road saw a crowd of women who disappeared as we came nearer. When we reached a certain house, one of our opposers of the day before invited us to sit on his verandah and talk to the women. It seemed that these women had been waiting all day in hopes that we would come that way. Surely God directed our steps. About twenty-five or thirty women were present, and this Brahman allowed us to talk and sing as much as we pleased. I asked that the Lord would help us to make the truth plain, as many might never hear it again.

## VISIT TO A FORMER PUPIL.

On this last trip I visited one of my school girls who is married. It repaid for a long tramp over the hills to see the pleasure of the girl in welcoming us. At first, people of the town fled but afterwards collected, and before the girl had come in from her work in the field, at least two hundred people had gathered. She came and sat close beside me and then sang with us. We hurried home on account of a very immoral heathen festival which will soon be celebrated. Preparations had begun to such an extent that we did not feel we should stay longer, in open unprotected houses.

## COLOMBIA.

## A ZEALOUS CHURCH MEMBER.

MISS FLORENCE E. SMITH writes from BARRANQUILLA, March 29:

We have many encouragements in the work. The schools were never so prosperous, and the services are well attended. Yesterday we had seventy in Sunday School, the growth of which is largely due to Mrs. Ladd's success as a superintendent. Last week we had an interesting example of the same spirit which made Stephen the first martyr. Mr. Coll, one of our native brethren, hearing that a church was to be dedicated to San José at his old home, in an adjoining pueblo, went out "to speak a word for Jesus Christ," as his brother told me when I inquired as to his absence. During the services, which were held in the open air, invitation was given to any in the audience to speak; after three or four had been heard, our brother began by referring to the dedication of Solomon's Temple. The people listened long enough to understand that it was the Bible which he was daring to quote, and then the *padre* of the big cathedral here, made a dash through the crowd, pushing women and children before him in an unseemly confusion, waving his arms and shouting, "Come away, don't listen to him; come on!" About half the crowd, now a howling, jeering mob, followed the reverend father, while the curious half remained to listen. Mr. Coll continued, telling them the church should be dedicated to God instead of to San José, and that unless they kept God's commandments He would not abide in the house. Seeing that the attention of the people was gained, the infuriated priest and his zealous followers returned, shrieking "Take him away; put him in jail; stone him, stone him!" Seeing that he was really about to suffer violence at their hands Mr. Coll delivered some parting shots and desisted. Truly a prophet is not without honor, save in his own country. Mr. Coll looked thin and pale last night, as in a few quiet words he detailed his experience. He was listened to breathlessly, and made a great impression upon the school children. One little girl said, "Ay, Miss Smith, poor Mr. Coll, they were going to treat him as they did Stephen. It seems as though these priests are possessed with devils." I have lately begun a

## MEETING FOR THE WOMEN

of the church on Friday nights, and it does my very soul good. It has been on my heart for a long time, as they do so need instruction in the Bible and prayer; and the eagerness with which they listen and read would put to shame many a listless Christian at home. There are sixteen, three at least who cannot read, and I am now looking to see where I can "squeeze in" the time to teach them.

# HOME DEPARTMENT

THE MISSIONARY PRAYER-MEETING FOR JULY.

**General Subject—Mission Printing Presses.**

- (a) Native languages and literature.
- (b) Creation of Christian literature.
- (c) The vernacular Bible.
- (d) The mission presses—location, history, output.
- (e) Our Church papers and magazines at home.

**Prayer**—For removal of restrictions on the press in the Turkish Empire; for blessings to attend the diffusion of the Bible in all lands, and upon the reading of missionary information at home.

## NOT SO HARD.

“It is not so hard to leave one’s children in God’s care and among His people. Pray that they may be kept unspotted from the world.”

*One of our Missionary Mothers.*

He gave His only Son  
To tread the thorny way;  
To suffer pain and scorn,  
And all our debt to pay.  
  
We give with aching heart  
And love which they deserve;  
Yet, though the tear may start,  
The spirit shall not swerve.

We trust God’s promised care,  
We trust His people, too;  
Then compass them with prayer;  
'Tis all that we can do.  
  
One guaranty we feel  
We have the right to claim:  
The world may never steal  
Gems offered in Christ’s name.

*Anna S. Reed.*

## WOMAN’S BOARDS IN ANNUAL MEETING.

At Rock Island, Ill., April 20, 21, 22.

The Board of the Northwest held its Twenty-sixth, in the Broadway Church. Tuesday evening was devoted to a conference of Synodical and Presbyterial officers with members of the Board.

Wednesday morning at ten our president, Mrs. Henry H. Forsyth of Chicago, led the devotional service, followed by an address of welcome by Mrs. J. Ross Mills of Rock Island, responded to by Mrs. G. A. Harmount of Chicago.

Next came minutes of the last meeting, prepared by the Recording Secretary, and read in her absence by Mrs. W. H. Moss of Chicago. A note of greeting followed from Mrs. Jacobs, who is in Mexico visiting her daughter, Mrs. Hubert Brown. A duet gave great pleasure, as did beautiful music all through the sessions.

Synodical reports were read, and although many discouragements were reported, attributed usually to the general financial depression, the true ring was in them all: more real, vital interest that made light of self-denial. In fact there were few minor notes, and although there

was less money raised than last year, the future looks bright with promise.

Mrs. Hugh Taylor of Laos gave a very bright and interesting address. She is glad to go back where she knows the work so much needs her, but the pleasure is clouded by news that a cut of \$6,000 has been made in appropriations for their station.

The foreign secretaries reported upon Japan, Korea, China and Siam. One word came from them all: “The work is more than we can do; we need more workers.”

After a bountiful luncheon served in the church parlors, the afternoon session was opened by prayer by the beloved Mrs. Van Cleve of Minneapolis. The home secretary’s report gave a clear and concise view of the working of the machinery of the Board. The address by Miss Susan Doty, Korea, gave us bright but also sad pictures of life among the people of that country.

Foreign secretaries’ reports were continued, and Africa, Syria, Mexico, South America and India were heard from. The Young People’s Hour, in charge of Mrs.

Coulter, was particularly interesting. A paper by Mrs. Connor, Wabash, Ind., upon Young People's Societies, was one of the gems of the meeting, and Mrs. Coulter's address was full of suggestion with regard to children's work for missions.

Miss Kate Shaw brought us greeting from Japan. She referred to the work of Mr. Mott and felt that he came to Japan at just the right time.

Dr. Eva H. Field, under appointment of the Board at New York, but station not assigned, spoke strongly in behalf of four other young women approved by our Board, but not yet appointed, because no money is in hand to send them.

The church was filled to its utmost limits for the evening service, at which the pastor of the church, the Rev. W. S. Marquis, D.D., presided. An address from Rev. Hunter Corbett of China gave us a view of the hardships and discouragements of missionary work thirty years ago. Dr. N. D. Hillis of Chicago gave an address of great brilliancy, showing God's hand in the onward marching events of the world.

The Thursday morning devotional service led by Mrs. D. B. Wells of Fort Wayne, Ind., will never be forgotten. The subject was "The Motherhood of God," Isa. 66: 13.

Synodical reports were again taken up. Women of South Dakota Synod did without silk waists, kid gloves, and other desirable but unnecessary articles, that they might give for missions.

The Question Hour, the most helpful hour of the whole meeting, was conducted by Mrs. N. D. Pratt, Lake Forest, Ill.

Dr. Mary Bradford, of whom we are justly proud, addressed us. She anticipates returning to Persia in June, and we can well imagine the welcome she will receive.

The afternoon that was to close this feast began with prayer offered by Mrs. E. S. Williams, Minneapolis. The president then read a telegram in answer to one sent by us to the Society of Northern New York, in session at Troy. The message was 1 Thess. 11:12, 13. The committee reported Minneapolis as the place of meeting next year. The officers were re-elected. The treasurer said that although less money had come to the Board, it represented more self-denial than ever before. The total was \$70,352.42; less by \$10,000 (the amount of the silver anniversary offering) than last year. Mrs.

S. D. Ward, Chicago, presented the missionaries: Miss Kate Shaw, Japan; Miss Louise Babe, Africa; Mrs. Hugh Taylor, Laos; Dr. Mary Brown, China; Dr. Mary Bradford, Persia; Miss Susan Doty, Korea. The candidates were Dr. Eva H. Field, Des Moines, Iowa; Miss Edna Bissell, Minneapolis, Minn.; Miss Addie Halle, Omaha, Neb.; Miss Mary McDermid, Ripon, Wis. A few words were spoken by each, and they were formally given their instructions. A hymn in the sign language, by Miss Edwards, an address from Dr. Mary Brown, with the president's closing words, ended the meeting.

Then followed the celebration of the holy communion, which brought us to the very top of the mount upon which we had risen hour by hour all day, and the gates of the Holy City seemed to open almost before us. (Mrs.) Nellie D. Yerkes.

YPSILANTI, MICH.

At Troy, N. Y., April 21, 22, 23.

One cannot convey, on paper, an adequate idea of such a meeting as it was the privilege of the women of Northern New York to participate in, in commemoration of their twenty-five years of service. Everything that a generous, warm-hearted hospitality could suggest had been done by our hostesses, the ladies of the Second Street Church and the ladies of the other Presbyterian churches of Troy. The church was particularly well adapted for such a gathering, with its large auditorium beautifully decorated with flowering plants, its pleasant parlor and commodious Sunday-school rooms. The services were opened with a devotional meeting, led by Mrs. Wellington White, who read Phil. iv., taking for the keynote of the meeting, "The Lord is at hand." After a few moments of silent prayer, one woman's voice after another was heard in earnest supplication for the baptism of the Holy Spirit. After this delightful hour we had the pleasure of listening to Mrs. F. E. Hoskins of Zahleh, Syria, who spoke of the silent workers, here and there all over Syria, who, in their several villages and towns, are veritable beacon lighted. She named one and another, devoted men and women, trained in our schools and college, who amidst discouragements, oftentimes persecution, are witnessing a good confession.

At 7.30 delegates and friends gathered



for the evening. When Mr. Berry, pastor of the church, introduced Mr. Moffett, he faced a church full of expectant listeners, all eager to hear the wonderful story of the Lord's dealings in North Korea; and what a wonderful story it was! Listening to a solo by Mrs. Hector Hall of Troy, "These are they who have come out of great tribulation," one could not but feel how appropriate were the words, after what we had just heard of persecutions of the first Christians in Pyeng Yang.

Thursday, the numbers of the day before were swelled by large delegations from neighboring cities and towns, wending their way to the church at an early hour. It was very delightful to see the familiar face of Mrs. W. M. Taylor (better known to us as Miss Loring) in the chair. This hour spent at the throne of Grace proved a most helpful one. The president, Mrs. Yeisley, referring to the work of the past, spoke of perplexities and problems that confronted the women twenty-five years ago. Also of the important part the Bands and Band leaders had taken in the work, and plead for their continuance and encouragement. Reports of the secretaries and treasurers were full of encouragement.

A pleasant feature of the opening of the afternoon meeting was a telegram from the Board of the Northwest, in session at Rock Island, Ill. After election of the officers, the Historical Address was given by Mrs. W. H. Hollister, Jr., of Troy. Mrs. J. Bartlett Hydorn of Albany sang delightfully a hymn written specially for our anniversary by Mrs. D. K. Bartlett.

Those who had borne the heat and burden of the day, and had been taken from service here below to service above, were tenderly remembered in a memorial address by Mrs. W. H. Doughty of Troy. Mrs. Nason then gave the report of the Silver Anniversary fund, the first offering for which came from Miss Christensen, Africa. Regret was expressed that all the auxiliaries had not felt it a privilege to participate in this gift. The offering was over \$800.

Words of greeting were given by Mrs. W. M. Taylor and Mrs. Wellington White. The former brought back delightful memories of the past, as she read extracts from the diary she kept when she went through our churches organizing auxiliaries and bands fifteen years ago. In closing she gave us this motto:

Every step of the way, Lord,  
Yes, every step of the way,  
Thine all for me,  
Mine all for Thee,  
For every step of the way.

Mrs. White spoke in her usual impressive way of "What God hath wrought," and in closing told the touching story of what one feeble Chinese woman had done to make known the story of redemption to her heathen friends. Mrs. White left with us this verse,

"I cannot work my soul to save,  
That work my Lord has done;  
But I can work like any slave  
For love of His dear Son."

At the evening meeting a large audience greeted Dr. Arthur J. Brown and Dr. George Alexander of New York. It would be impossible, in this brief space, to do justice to their addresses. We wished then, and still wish, the whole Presbyterian Church could have had the privilege of listening with us. Could all have heard the testimony of Dr. Brown to our representatives, who amidst discomforts manifold, and perils by sea and land, are doing the Lord's work in heathen lands without a murmur or complaint, we would not suffer them to feel, as Dr. Alexander said they would now have a right to feel, that we had "let go the ropes." Surely Dr. Alexander was right in saying that what the Church needs is "a new conception of a lost world without Christ, and a new vision of the cross of Him who loved us and died for us."

Friday morning we gathered for our last service, as Mrs. McClure, our leader, said, "the family gathering for family prayers," and such a tender service as it was, a fitting close to the days of privilege spent with our Lord. *Emily A. Darling.*

At St. Louis, Mo., April 22, 23, 24.

The twentieth annual meeting of the Board of the Southwest was held in the Second Church. It opened with an interdenominational mass-meeting on Thursday evening, presided over by Dr. S. J. Niccolls. Rev. R. H. Milligan gave an address on "Life among the Cannibals." His story was full of pathetic incidents, illustrative of the degradation of the people and their need of religious instruction.

On Friday morning about four hundred ladies gathered in the new chapel of the church. A most solemn and impressive communion service was conducted by the

pastor, Dr. Niccolls. This seemed to give the keynote for the entire convention: consecration to Christ's service and desire for the ever-abiding presence of the Holy Spirit.

A cordial address of welcome was made by Mrs. George H. Shields of St. Louis, and responded to by Mrs. H. W. Prentis, President of the Board. After the roll-call, to which fifty-five delegates responded, came the appointment of committees. Then an address by Mr. Yonan, a Persian Christian, who spoke on the three forces in missionary work—evangelization, education and medicine.

Next in order were messages from the Synods. Indian Territory reported contributions double the amount of last year and eleven times the amount of five years ago, a remarkable fact when there are but three self-supporting churches in the Synod. Kansas reported an increase in membership, and Missouri thirteen more C. E. Societies contributing through the Board than formerly. At this point Mr. Milligan made a second address, on "Woman in Africa," listened to with close attention.

Mrs. George E. Martin, special object secretary, spoke on "Work for the New Year." In connection with the Boys' School at Teheran, Persia, she exhibited a beautiful silk flag bearing the Persian coat of arms, sent by the boys to this Board. Besides the support of this school and the expenses of a ship off the African coast, this Board cares for seventeen missionaries, and notwithstanding the need of retrenchment in some branches of the work, it has been determined that the salaries of the missionaries shall not be reduced.

The morning service closed with an interesting address by Miss Susan Doty of Korea.

In the afternoon a Council was held, presided over by Mrs. A. R. Hume of Indian Territory, consisting of three addresses—the first, "Our Auxiliaries, their Organization and Success," by Miss N. A. Roraback of Kansas City, Mo.; the second, "Our Medical Work," by Dr. McLean of St. Louis, and the third, "Systematic and Proportionate Giving," by Dr. George E. Martin of St. Louis.

Miss Anna Melton of Mosul, Turkey, gave a close and searching talk on the subject of "Giving," and Dr. Mary E. Bradford of Tabriz, Persia, closed the exercises of the afternoon with an address

on medical work in Persia. Dr. Bradford has done a great work among the lepers of Persia and also in the cholera-stricken districts. She spoke again in the evening at the second mass-meeting, as did also Rev. Dr. Hunter Corbett of Chefoo, China. Dr. Corbett is one of the oldest and most experienced missionaries.

On Saturday the Misses Doty and Melton made second addresses. Miss Kate Haus read a paper on "Mother's Work in Foreign Missions." Mrs. C. R. Hopkins, for ten years the recording secretary of the Board, gave a report on literature. Eight hundred and eleven copies of WOMAN'S WORK FOR WOMAN are taken. Fourteen thousand leaflets have been published by this Board for its own use during the year, and 8,750 for the use of other Boards.

The report of the treasurer, Mrs. William Burg, showed the receipts for the year to be \$11,193.52. This is somewhat less than last year, but Mrs. Burg did not think it meant discouragement, since there had been many difficulties to contend with.

Names of officers for the ensuing year were presented by the chairman of the Nominating Committee, Mrs. Miller: President, Mrs. C. R. Hopkins; vice-presidents, Mrs. G. E. Martin, Mrs. E. E. Webster, Mrs. J. M. Allen, Mrs. M. F. Beck and Mrs. H. W. Prentis. The secretaries and other officers remain as before with the exception of Mrs. G. W. Weyer, recording secretary, in place of Mrs. C. R. Hopkins.

The afternoon opened with a Bible reading by Mrs. Young of New Jersey. Mrs. Meade C. Williams spoke on "Our Missionaries," presenting each one to the prayerful remembrance of the Board. With farewell words from all the missionaries present, closing words from the retiring President, Mrs. Prentis, and a gracious, loving benediction from Dr. Niccolls, the convention closed.

This brief statement gives but a faint idea of this twentieth anniversary, which was a rich feast from first to last. It was a high mount of privilege. Of the kind people of St. Louis we can only say that their courtesy and hospitality were unbounded.

*Nellie A. Roraback.*

KANSAS CITY, MO.

At Oakland, Cal., April 1, 2.

The twenty-fourth annual meeting of the Occidental Board, commencing with

a reception to delegates on Wednesday afternoon, March 31, has passed in point of time, but all the good things that were said and done linger in our minds never to be forgotten. The large numbers attending the two days' meeting from 9 A. M. until 4 P. M. was an evidence of the increasing interest in Foreign Missions.

The reports from officers of the Board told the story of faithful work, many letters sent and received, interest in special objects, and pledges kept.

#### SOME OF THE GOOD THINGS.

The devotional meetings; singing by Chinese children; study of methods; "All the year round interest;" "The Children's Portion;" "Foreign Missions in Home Mission Churches;" the luncheon and social hour; the Young People's Meeting in the evening; a plea from the nations (in native costume); the address from Dr. Coyle of the First Presbyterian Church, Oakland, on "The Venture of Faith"; the conference on ways and means for promoting missionary work, led by Mrs. E. Y. Garrette.

The following questions were discussed: "How shall we place missionary work upon a higher spiritual plane?"; "Causes of indebtedness of the Foreign Board;" "Which course shall missionary societies take? (1) Borrow and pay at the beginning of the year the amount pledged by them, or (2) Have the Board at New York pay interest on borrowed money?"; "Pledges and quarterly payments."

Another interesting fact was the vote to accept one more missionary—Alice Fish—to go to Korea, the money to be raised in excess of pledges already made. Other good things were the report of Miss Culbertson; the exercises by the Home and Occidental Schools; the president's address, Mrs. P. D. Browne; the service led by the Chinese King's Daughters; Mrs. I. M. Condit's original hymn, dedicated to them and sung by Mrs. H. C. Morris; the address of Mrs. S. S. Palmer on Native Christians. The heathen Chinese women with their children, over one hundred, mingled with the Christian women in song and prayer, and received cake, oranges and Scripture cards. As they left the house the audience sang "Come to Jesus, come to Jesus just now." Benediction was pronounced by Rev. I. M. Condit. At the close of the meeting a reception was given Rev. and Mrs. I. M. Condit in honor of

the twenty-fifth anniversary of their marriage. (Mrs.) E. Y. Garrette.

At Portland, Ore., April 20, 21.

The ninth annual meeting of the North Pacific Board was held under the hospitable roof of the First Church. Our president, Mrs. W. S. Ladd, occupied the chair. About sixty delegates were in attendance, which, with the numerous welcome visitors, filled the chapel.

After devotions, in which we sought the presence of the Holy Spirit, the president spoke kindly words of greeting. Mrs. I. L. McCommon turned the X Rays upon this northwest territory, and as a result was able to say we have more than held our own. The treasurer, Mrs. E. P. Mossman, reported that \$5,153.12 had been raised during the year. This left a deficit of \$450, made up by a generous thank-offering from the president, and \$50 were left for the Contingent Fund. Messages from Bands and echoes from Sabbath-schools were all hopeful. They did not show great financial progress, but did indicate growing interest and activity. We cannot always resort to the dollar measure.

"Joy in Service" was one topic of thought. The mother of a missionary in Siam said she had often felt that she was not doing much, but great joy had come to her in giving a daughter to missions. Another, who had been a missionary in Alaska, said that the happiest time in her life had been in teaching the Alaskans and seeing their development under the Gospel.

Notes from the field were culled from the correspondence of our own missionaries. They are in India, China, Korea and Japan and the home-land. All are busy and happy with the many duties which come to them. Each one was mentioned by name in special prayer.

The report of the Chinese Woman's Home, was presented. Eight women and girls have been rescued this year, making a total of sixty whom we have been able to help. Their music was an attractive feature of the Meeting.

Mrs. Holbrook read a paper in memory of Mrs. Dong Faiy, who has passed away since our last meeting. It was a fitting tribute to a most devoted woman. A most striking and gratifying incident was the appearance of Ah Ngan, the first woman who came to our Home, who said in Chi-

nese, interpreted by Mrs. Holt, "I am so glad to be here to-day and look into your faces. I feel so grateful to God that He gave me an opportunity to learn about Him, and that He put it into your hearts to open the Home and make it possible for women and girls to escape from a sad lot. My daughter is still there. I am glad to have her enjoy its protection. I hope that God's blessing will rest upon you and go with you. My whole heart so desires."

"Oil for the Wheels" of the great missionary machine was furnished in short, clear-cut papers on the following subjects: Membership, Programmes, Children, Praise Meetings, Weak but Aggressive, and Our Relations. An earnest discussion followed the crisp papers.

The evening of Tuesday was given up to a Young People's Rally. Many said it was the best meeting our Board has ever held. As the president arose to announce the first hymn, she was greeted with the Chautauqua salute. Dr. Hill, pastor of the church, offered prayer. A report on Young People's Societies was read. Prof. Ewing, of the Academy, presented the "Student Volunteer Movement," a carefully prepared and well delivered statement of the aims and results of the movement. Elder Hamilton reviewed the "Century of Missions," from which he drew most hopeful anticipations of the future success of foreign missions. Much interest attached to the short addresses from Japanese and Chinese preachers, and Ah Woon, from the Home, told about her own study in Portland Hospital, where she is learning to be a trained nurse. The messages were interspersed with verses of the Missionary Hymn, and a song from the African Church choir and from the Chinese girls.

An "In Memoriam" in remembrance of Mrs. G. A. McKinlay was presented on Wednesday by Mrs. W. B. Lee. It was a beautiful and touching tribute. She is a great loss. She had been connected with the Board from the first.

The thank-offering service yielded us \$523.18, which includes the gift of the president. The box secretary read letters from missionaries which showed appreciation of this department.

The old officers were re-elected, except in a few cases. Parting words were spoken by the president, urging us to go home

with brave hearts, and take up the work for the coming year.

A reception was held in the evening, after which we said good-by, and the annual meeting was history.

(Mrs. W. S.) — Holt.

At Altoona, Pa., April 28, 29.

The twenty-seventh Annual Assembly of the Foreign Missionary Society of Philadelphia was held in the Second Church. By the evening of the 27th, a large number of delegates had arrived and were present at a prayer and praise meeting held in the First Church, led by Miss S. R. Lowrie. At this meeting, as throughout the sessions of the following days, the name of Mrs. A. C. F. Cunningham was spoken again and again. It was no perfunctory tribute, no preconcerted speech, but the spontaneous overflow of hearts who would fain express their respect, admiration and deep love for that noble woman.

A charming feature of our reception as delegates was the company of uniformed cadets of the Altoona churches. They met us at the station, carried our bags, and guided us to our destinations.

The ladies of the Board present were Mrs. C. P. Turner, president; Mrs. Thorpe and Mrs. Danielson, foreign secretaries; Mrs. Watters, presbyterial, and Miss Nelson, young people's secretary.

After the devotional meeting Wednesday morning, a graceful welcome was given by Mrs. Stiles, wife of the pastor, responded to by our ever-ready Mrs. Turner, who spoke of this our veritable coming "Up to the house of the Lord."

Mrs. Fishburn's report as treasurer gave the year's total receipts as \$138,694.04.

Mrs. Watters reported 901 secretaries of literature in the Society, and 16 auxiliaries added during the year. Candidates for the mission fields are numerous, but the funds are lacking. After singing a hymn Mrs. Thorpe introduced the six missionaries on the platform: Mrs. Orbison, Mrs. Ewing, Mrs. Goheen and Mrs. Jones, all of India; Miss Kuhl of Brazil and Mrs. Dale of Syria. As each one was made known to the audience, she gave a brief mention of one or more of the delights of missionary service.

Mrs. Danielson then presented one-half of the report of the foreign secretaries under the title, "What the foreign post

has brought us." From Africa the cry is: "Do not lay too much to the deadly climate of Africa, send us more men and we shall have fewer deaths." China sends word that there is advance along every line. From Japan the accounts are most encouraging, while in Korea every door is opening wide, especially among the women. In Persia, while the regular school work has become more or less demoralized by the times, more opportunity has been given for social contact with the people.

The report from Mexico was emphasized later by a most interesting and encouraging paper by Mrs. Boyce.

The roll-call of presbyterial societies brought a goodly response and, after the appointment of committees, the meeting was adjourned until 1.30, when a conference on Young People's Work was most ably led by Miss Nelson. "Valiant for the Truth" was the watchword of the helpful hour that followed. "How to interest Boys" was answered out of a full mother-heart by Mrs. Gilson of Pittsburg, herself a successful leader of a large boys' Band. When the question was raised as to whether the C. E. societies dissipate the particular object of Bands, Miss Kane of Princeton Church, Philadelphia, spoke of their seven bands in a graded system, and asserted that the right president of a C. E. society will not take from the Bands, but make leaders for them. This was assented to *sotto voce* by several with like experience. Mrs. Greenman of New Jersey spoke of the conduct of Bands. Mrs. Clark of Philadelphia gave a bright missionary lesson to a dozen children who came in for the exercise. Mrs. Kerr of Elizabeth exhibited home-made charts and object lessons, calling them the Mechanics of Bands, and after a helpful talk from Mrs. Watters and a story to the children by Mrs. Goheen, it was time for the regular session.

This was presided over by Mrs. Kumler of Pittsburg. Mrs. Thorpe gave the remainder of the foreign budget, Siam, Syria, South America and India. In the latter country we have 135,000 children in our mission Sunday-schools.

The editor of WOMAN'S WORK was in-

troduced as "The incarnation of our magazine," and read "An Unpublished Chapter" from a book which is to be published within a few months.

The evening session was addressed by Rev. F. E. Hoskins of Syria, giving a clear, scholarly statement as to the relation of present political events to missionary operations in the Turkish Empire. Rev. W. S. Bannerman of West Africa, told us of the cannibal Fang, in whom perhaps more than in any other people, the subduing and renovating power of the Holy Spirit is manifested.

Thursday morning a conference of synodical and presbyterial officers was led by Mrs. Watters. Many subjects of interest were ably discussed. A motion was carried that each presbyterial society shall in the future be assessed \$5 for the traveling expenses of missionaries to the annual meeting.

The question-box hour and the three papers on Ideals; Readers, Givers, Workers, given respectively by Mrs. Taylor, *née* Loring, Mrs. Wylie and Mrs. Stewart, were full of suggestion.

The missionaries who had been formally introduced, and Miss Cort of Siam, spoke throughout the sessions, and this report is all too short to attempt even to refer to what they said.

The sweet influences of the closing half-hour that afternoon, "Preparation for service" the keynote, will surely follow us for many a day, helping, encouraging, guiding, as we remember the earnest prayers, the heartfelt words, the silences eloquent with speech and supplication. May God make us better and stronger women for that nearness of communion with Him and with each other.

At a popular young people's meeting in the evening, led by Miss Nelson, Mrs. Ewing sang one of her sweet Punjabi songs. We were all charmed by the music rendered throughout the sessions by solo and choir, and cannot speak too highly of the graceful hospitality extended to us by our Altoona friends. The meeting was adjourned to accept next year a cordial invitation from the Third Church of Trenton, N. J. M. B. D.

THE Presbyterian Society of Jersey City held its twenty-fifth anniversary not long ago. It was organized by women representing two churches. To-day there are

twenty-two auxiliaries, with a roll-call of at least 1,400.

Two missionaries have been sent out from the presbytery—Mrs. Ladd to South

America; Mrs. Phraner to Laos. The treasurer, Miss S. E. Demarest, reported over \$60,500, total contributions of the twenty-five years.

The Gleaners of Flemington, N. J., celebrated their twenty-fifth anniversary

in January. An interesting account of the Band has been written by Mrs. Elizabeth Van Fleet in pamphlet form. The Band has had ninety-five members—having begun with nine girls, and their total contributions have amounted to \$3,144.15.

### BOOKS RECEIVED.

*Arnold's Chart of Paul's Journeyings.* (John D. Wattles & Co., 1031 Walnut St., Philadelphia. Price 20 cents. Convenient pocket size.

*Letters from Armenia.* (Fleming H. Revell Co. Ill'd. \$1.25.) A collection of most interesting private letters written by Dr. J. Rendel Harris of Cambridge, and his wife, during seven months spent at different points in Asiatic Turkey. Their sojourn coincided with the later massacres and this testimony

of reliable eye-witnesses corroborates the truth which Europe and America can never wholly realize. The book contains an introductory letter by Gladstone.

*A Missionary Catechism* which may be obtained at the Church Missions House, 281 Fourth Ave., Price, 3 cents each; 30 cents a dozen.

As this catechism is in the phraseology of the Episcopal church, its main advantage will be to serve as suggestions to leaders of meetings.

### ARRIVALS.

March 31.—At San Francisco, Miss McGilvary, from Laos.

April 21.—At New York, Rev. Chas. E. Eckels and family, from Siam. Address, Carlisle, Pa.

April 22.—At New York, Rev. W. B. Boomer and family, from Chili, S. A. Address, 203 West 103d Street, New York City.

May 1.—At New York, Rev. Jonathan Wilson and Miss Wilson, from Laos. Address, Allegheny, Pa.

### DEPARTURES.

April 20.—From New York, Miss Margaret Scott, returning to San Paulo, Brazil.

May 11.—From San Francisco, Rev. H. M. Landis and family, returning to Tokyo, Japan.

### RESIGNATIONS.

Rev. and Mrs. E. W. McDowell, W. Persia. Appointed 1887.

Rev. and Mrs. S. L. Ward, E. Persia. Appointed 1876.

### DEATHS.

March 23.—At Panhala, W. India, Mary Annabella, only daughter of Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Hannum, aged three years and ten months.

## To the Auxiliaries.

[For address of each headquarters and list of officers see third page of cover.]

### From New York.

Prayer-meeting at 156 Fifth Ave., cor. 20th St., the first Wednesday of each month at 10.30 A.M. Each other Wednesday there is a half-hour meeting for prayer and reading of missionary letters, commencing at the same hour.

The report of the Annual Meeting in the May number of WOMAN'S WORK came to an abrupt end. Notice of Miss Montgomery's address, with the touching prayer that God would so incline the thoughts of His children that the deficit in the treasury of the Assembly's Board might be made up before the Assembly convened, was crowded out, and also of the communion service, with which the sessions closed. This was most impressive; the body of the large church was full. At the communion table Dr. Stebbins sat with Rev. F. E. Hoskins of Syria on his right and Rev. S. A. Moffett of Korea on his left, and with them representatives of sessions of the several Presbyterian churches of Rochester, by whom the bread and wine were carried to the waiting congregation. It was a service never to be forgotten by those who participated in it—giving strength and courage to labor on, rejoicing in the anticipation of the thronging hosts from the north, the south, the east and the west, gathering to the marriage supper of the Lamb.

In the conferences for Band leaders and Presbyterian officers, many important questions were

discussed. Expression of opinion was asked as to the change in topics as arranged for the magazine and prayer-meetings. The general meeting was strongly in favor of the change. Many at first thought the subjects "hard," but had found they added interest and incentive to the meetings.

THE meeting of the Westminster Presbyterian Society at White Plains was a most memorable one. The beautiful hospitality extended by the ladies of the church, and the courteous attention and kindness of the pastor, Rev. Dr. Macoubrey, and his wife was especially felt. The opening address on "The Missionary's Book," by Mrs. Rhea, struck a note of deep spirituality which made itself felt to the end. The constitution was revised; one article adopted was to the effect that all appeals to the auxiliaries for money should be submitted to the Executive Committee. It is hoped in this way to avoid the many special appeals which sometimes seem to conflict.

WE trust that before this magazine is received an appeal for a summer offering for medical work will be in the hands of all our women's auxiliaries. There are special requirements at the present time in this department. The demand for all we can do and give was never perhaps so urgent. We need to enter upon our new year of work with great conscientiousness, most serious resolve and tender remembrance of the "love which constraineth us."

MRS. E. A. HUNTINGTON has felt it needful to resign the presidency of Cayuga Presbyterian Society. Her twenty-five years of faithful, wise and conscientious service are recorded where they can never be effaced.

We welcome to the position thus made vacant Mrs. William E. Waters of Aurora.

MISS M. E. HOWELL of Lockport, for sixteen years Treasurer of Niagara Pres. Soc., has gone to her rest. Her last day of work was given to her duties as treasurer and with characteristic faithfulness she attended to every detail and then calmly faced the operation which could not save her valuable life. She died March ninth. Her

last letter to us breathes of brave trust and true hearted devotion.

ANOTHER of God's beloved saints has rested from her labors. Miss Parnell Hubbard died at Watertown, N. Y., March 21, in the eighty-seventh year of her age. She was the last of a little band of faithful women who in the early days of the First Church of Watertown cherished and kept alive the spark of missionary interest by prayer, by persevering personal effort and by liberal giving. She loved the Kingdom of God, and its advancement claimed her unwearied devotion. Enfeebled by age and an accident, death came to her as a happy release.

### Receipts of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church from April 1, 1897.

[PRESBYTERIES IN SMALL CAPITALS.]

[Thank-offerings are indicated by an (\*) asterisk.]

ATHENS.—Amesville, 12.17, S.C.E., 4.82; Athens, 34.23, S. C.E., 19.70, S.C.E. Jr., 2.50; Barlow, 1.32; Beech Grove S.C.E., 5; Berea, 6.50; Bristol, 11.14, Mrs. O. L. Young's titling, 7; Carthage, 5; Cheshire, 7.68; Gallipolis, 7, S.S., 7; Guysville, 4.57; Logan, 42.76, S.C.E., 15, S.C.E. Jr., 3.50; Marietta, 49.37, S.S., 11.60, S.C.E., 7; Middleport, 23.40, S.C.E., 10, S.C.E. Jr., 5; Nelsonville, 20, S.C.E., 1.50, S.C.E. Jr., 5.51; New Matamoras, 30; New Plymouth, 31.25, S.C.E., 5; Pomeroy, 13.30, S.C.E., 15, S.C.E. Jr., 2.50, S.S., 7; Tupper's Plains, 13.50; Warren, 7.60, S.S., 5, \$472.13

BALTIMORE.—Baltimore, 1st, D. F. Haynes in Mem., 50.00 BELLEFONTAINE.—Belle Centre (syn.ob., 1.75), 11.95, S.C.E. Jr., 6.16; Bellefontaine (syn.ob., 4), 60, S.C.E., 20; Buck Creek (syn.ob., 1), 23; Bucyrus (syn.ob., 1), 26; Crestline (syn.ob., 50 cts.), 8.20; Willing Workers, 50 cts.; De Graf (syn.ob., 1), 11; Forest (syn.ob., 1), 11; Galion (syn.ob., 1), 25.89; Kenton (syn.ob., 1), 69.76, Girls' Church (syn.ob., 1), 10, S.C.E., 5.78; Marseilles (syn.ob., 1), 7; Rushsylvania, 11.75; Tiro (syn.ob., 1), 6; Upper Sandusky, 21, S.C.E. Jr. (syn.ob., 1), 5; Urbana (syn.ob., 1), 30; W. Liberty (syn.ob., 1), 7.50, S.S., 4, 381.47 BLAIRSVILLE.—Beulah, 2.25; Braddock, 1st, 32; Johnstown, Boys' Bd., 12.25, L.L.B., 3.80, S.C.E. Jr., 10.75; Latrobe, 41.08; Livermore, S.S., 20.68; Manor, 10; Murrysville, 10; Murrysville W.M.C., 20.50, Jessie Porter Bd., 9.75, A. Hall, dec'd, 1.25; Poke Run, 4.10; Turtle Creek, Macedonian Bd., 6; W. in Mem., 100, 393.47

BUTLER.—Allegheny, 5.50, Bd., 85 cts.; Buffalo, 1.4; Butler, 80.60, S.C.E., 25, S.C.E. Jr., 13.10, Y.L.B., 9; South Side, 9.25; Centreville (10.50\*), 27.75; Clintonville, Y.L.B., 10; Concord, 23; Crestview, 3; Grove City, 48.53, S.C.E., 25; Harlansburg, 24; Harrisville, 16; Martinsburg, 23.50; Middlesex, 32; Muddy Creek, 20, Bd., 2, S.C.E., 6; North Washington, 28.75; Petrolia, 3; Plain Grove Bd., 5; Portersville, 35; Scrub Grass, 21.70, S.C.E., 7.40; Summit, 2; Unionville, 15; Westminster, 8; West Sunbury, 15, Bd., 7.50; Zelenople, 38, 604.43

CARLISLE.—Dickinson, Legacy Mrs. E. M. Galbreath, 15, Miss Liggett, 30, 45.00

CATAWBA.—Concord, Laura Sunderland Sch., 2.48; Scotia Sem., 17; Westm'r Willing Workers, 27.50, Little Ants, 1.25; Charlotte, 7th St., 1, 49.23

CHILLICOTHE.—Bainbridge (syn.ob., 1), 5.50, S.C.E. Jr., 50 cts.; Bloomingburg (syn.ob., 1), 16, S.C.E., 3; Bourneville, S. C.E., 2; Chillicothe, 1st (syn.ob., 1), 75.20, Y.L.B., 24.15; Earnest Workers, 5, Inf. Cl., 2, S.C.E., 7.50, S.C.E. Jr., 5; Chillicothe, 3d (syn.ob., 1), 8.25, Inf. Cl., 3.50, S.C.E. (syn.ob., 1), 2.35; Concord (syn.ob., 1), 5.05; Frankfort (syn.ob., 1), 3; Greenfield (syn.ob., 1), 9.17; Snowflakes, 1.06, Boys' Bd., 19 cts., S.C.E., 25; Hamden (syn.ob., 1), 26; Hillsboro, 18.75; Kingston (syn.ob., 1), 12; Marshall (syn.ob., 1), 2; McArthur, 4; North Fork, 23.84, Ch. Givers, 91 cts., S.C.E., 40 cts.; Pisgah, 20.75, S.C.E., 6; S. Salem, 10, S.C.E., 10; Washington C.H., 13.39, Y.L.B., 3.75, S.S., 2.50; Wilkesville, S.C.E., 3; Wilmington, 4.50, S.C.E., 5, 370.21

CINCINNATI.—Batavia, S.C.E. (syn.ob., 1), 5; Bethel, 8, Willing Workers, 1; Bond Hill (syn.ob., 1); Cincinnati, 1st (syn.ob., 1.50), 36.26; King's Messengers (syn.ob., 1), 9, Lights for Darkness, 59.50, Golden Circle (syn.ob., 1), 8.63; 2d Ch. (syn.ob., 1), 7.50, S.S., 16, Y.L.B. (syn.ob., 1), 25.70, Y.P.S. (syn.ob., 1), Wide Awake, 2; 3d Ch. (syn.ob., 1), 93.09, S.S., 20, S.C.E., 13; 5th, 10.30, S.S., 8.16, S.C.E., 1.40, Bd., 1.60; 6th (syn.ob., 1.10), 7.77, King's Daughters (syn.ob., 1.25), 11.25, Pearl Gatherers, 10; 7th (syn.ob., 9.25), 174.65, S.S., 50; Avondale (syn.ob., 2.50), 94.26, S.S., 50, S.C.E., (syn.ob., 1); Central (syn.ob., 1), 56.45, S.S., 5; Clifton (syn.ob., 1), 64.38, McAlpine Bd., (syn.ob., 1); Mohawk, 33.50, Hope, 7.47, Boys' Brigade, 5.28, I. A. H. Soc., 1, Buds of Promise, 107; Mt. Auburn (syn.ob., 1), 142.11, S.S., 25.68, S.C.E., 7.50, Clifford Chapel (syn.ob., 1), 7, Earnest Workers, 3; North (syn.ob., 1), 27.45, Willing Work-

ers, 3.35, Thompson Mem., 23, Co-workers, 4, S.S., 25; Poplar St. Shining Lights, 26.25, S.C.E., 11; Sabbath Day (syn.ob., 2), 58; Walnut Hills (syn.ob., 8.10), 272.02, Acorn Bd. (syn.ob., 1), 13, Army of Peace, 3, Fullerton Bd. (syn.ob., 1.10), 50.10, Hayward Bd. (syn.ob., 1), 1.50, Humphrey Bd. (syn.ob., 2), 42.50, S.S., 25, Primary Sch., 20, Bethany Chapel, S.S., 25; Westm'r (syn.ob., 15), 35; Cleves & Berea, 5.15; College Hill (syn.ob., 1), 38, Y.P.S., 7, S.C.E. Jr., 5; Delhi (syn.ob., 1.40), 40.40, S.S., 22.50, S.C.E., 12.50, S.C.E. Jr., (syn.ob., 1); Glendale (syn.ob., 2.10), 35.40, Earnest Workers, 20; Harrison (syn.ob., 1), 9.52; Hartwell, 15.10; Lebanon (syn.ob., 5), 110.30, S.C.E., 16; Linwood (syn.ob., 1), 20.50, Calvary Workers, 13, S.C.E., (syn.ob., 1), S.C.E. Jr., 2.50; Loveland, 27.79; Madeira, 2.10, S.C.E., (syn.ob., 1); Madisonville (syn.ob., 75 cts.), 1.85, S.S. (syn.ob., 1.24), S.C.E., (syn.ob., 1); Mason, 3.50; Montgomery (syn.ob., 1), 23, S.C.E., 6, S.C.E. Jr., 77 cts.; Morrow, 31, S.C.E., (syn.ob., 1.25); N. Richmond (syn.ob., 1), 21.79, Mites, 1.66; Norwood (syn.ob., 1), 18.17, S. C.E., Jr., (syn.ob., 2); Pleasant Ridge, 21, S.C.E., (syn.ob., 1), 8.50, S.C.E. Jr., 5; Reading & Lockland, 6; Silvertown (syn.ob., 1), 4; S. Cumminsville, 22; Springdale, 20.35; Venice, 6.40; Westwood (syn.ob., 5), 6, S.C.E., 10; Williamsburg, 4; Wyoming (syn.ob., 5), 79.71, L.L.B., 40, Little Women, 1.50, Little Sunbeams, 4; Miss E. W. Smith, 3.25, A Friend, 100, A Friend, 15, A Friend, 20, A Friend, 5, Plate Collection for debt, 18.67, 2,806.09

CLARION.—Academia, 7; Beechwoods, 132, Busy Bees, 27.95; Bethesda, 10; Brockwayville, 18.83, Always Ready Bd., 9.66; Brookville, 105, Y.L.B., 75; Callensburg, 23; Clarion, 45.95, S.C.E., 9.10, Du Bois, 40; E. Brady Beacon Lights, 10; Edenburg, 13.35, Mayflower, 5; Emlenton, 44.70; Greenville, 28, Lilies of Field, 4.20; Licking, 33.50; Mt. Tabor, 8; New Bethlehem, Y.L.B., 44, Star of Bethlehem, 45; Oil City, 24, 65, Westm'r Bd., 10, Good Will, 15, S.S., 37.25; Penfield, Do-Your-Best Bd., 2; Pisgah, 42; Punctsuttawney, 5.33, A. C. Good Bd., 7.50; Reynoldsville, 25; Richland, 13; Sugar Hill, 36.85; Tionesta, 48; Troy, 8; Wilcox, 6, Boys' and Girls' Bd., 2.75, S.C.E., 10, 1,071.92

CLEVELAND.—Akron, 1st, 15; Akron Cent'l, 5.75; Ashtabula, 25.33; Cleveland, 1st (syn.ob., 2.66), 429.91, Haydn Circle, 50; 2d, 208.60, Handy Bd., 50, Jas. Eells Bd., 90, S.S., 135, Prim. Sch., 25; Beckwith, 67.31, S.S., 11.46, S.C.E., 9.67; Bethany, 10; Bolton Ave., 26.84; Calvary (syn.ob., 1), 113.85; Haydn Bd. (syn.ob., 1), 3.24, S.S., 50, Junior Bd., 1.50, S.C.E. (syn.ob., 1), 71; Case Ave. (4.50\*), 69.50, S.S., 25; Euclid Ave. (syn.ob., 1), 237.40, Social and Aid Soc., (syn.ob., 1), 136, S.C.E., (syn.ob., 1); Madison Ave., 2.18; Miles Park, 20, Mrs. E. T. Collins, 10, S.S., 8.26, S.C.E., 25, S.C.E. Jr., 2; North, 15, S. C.E., 7; South, 16.67, S.C.E. Jr., 5; Windermere, 19.55; Will son Ave., 13.50, S.S., 10, Primary Sch., 6.75; Woodland Ave 152.22; E. Cleveland, 98, S.S., 32.88; Glenville, 5; Guilford (syn.ob., 90), 15.90; Northfield (syn.ob., 1), 6; North Springfield, 5; Orwell, 5.19, S.C.E., 10.70; Painesville L.E. Sem., 30; Parma, 8, Gleaners, 4.25; Rome, 6.50; Solon, 5; So. New Lyme (syn.ob., 1), 12; Streetsboro, 4.08, S.C.E., 40 cts.; Willoughby, 12, 2,307.75

COLUMBUS.—Bremen, 6.08; Central College (syn.ob., 1), 24.60; Circleville (syn.ob., 1), 29.90; Columbus, 1st (syn.ob., 1), 72.60, Delia Loving Bd., 30; 2d (syn.ob., 1.85, 57.60\*), 105.60, Y. L.S. (syn.ob., 1.80), 26.80, Moore Bd., 5.64, Y.L.C., 10, Prim. Cl., 20; Broad St. (syn.ob., 1), 53.30\*, 129.30, S.S., 25, S.C.E., 30, S.C.E. Jr., 9; 5th Ave. (syn.ob., 1), 7; Olivet (syn.ob., 1), 12.60, Earnest Workers, 2; West Broad St., L.L.B., 1.50; Westm'r (syn.ob., 1), 36.25\*, 76.40, Y.L.B., 50, Willing Workers, 30.42, Little Helpers, 23.50; Groveport, 7; Lancaster (syn.ob., 1), 39.85, Boyd Bd., 4.75; Lithopolis, 4.25; London, 23.88, Boys' Bd., 3, S.C.E., 3, Mrs. Finley, 15; Lower Liberty, 22.85, Shining Stars, 3.25, S.C.E., 1; Mt. Sterling, 5, S.C.E. Jr., 1; Rush Creek, 15.35; Scioto, 5; Westerville (syn.

ob., 1, 34, H. Bushnell Bd., 10; Worthington, 14.75; Misc., 12.64, 953.51

DAYTON.—Bath, 1.65; Belle Brook (syn.ob., 1), 8.45; Blue Ball, 16.25; Camden (syn.ob., 1), 9.75; Clifton(syn.ob., 1), 29.30, Y.L.B., 41.14; Collinsville, 9; Dayton, 1st, 53, Y.L.B. (syn.ob. 1), 26, S.S., 55; 3d St., 207, Y.L.B., 125; 4th (syn.ob., 1), 41; Memorial (syn.ob., 1), 20, Y.L.B., 60, Golden Rule Bd., 3.50, Light Bearers, 3, Boys' Bd., 7, S.S., 9.13, S.C.E., 2.25, S.C.E. Jr., 7; Park (syn.ob., 1), 31, Y.P.S., 22.50; Wayne Av., syn.ob., 1; Greenville, 10; Hamilton, 1st, 10; Hamilton, Westm'r (syn.ob., 1), 31; Middletown, 14.37; Monroe, 2.25; New Carlisle, 31.50; New Jersey, 7.00; Oxford (syn.ob., 1), 33.65, Howard Bd., 30.50; Oxford Female College, 26.14; Piqua (syn.ob., 1), 96, Alpha Bd., 3.50; Seven Mile, 2.50; Somerville (syn.ob., 1), 7.40; S. Charleston (syn.ob., 1), 14; Springfield, 1st, 95, Y.W.C., 7.75, S.S., 25, Girls' Bd., 5, Jesus Lambs, 35; 2d (syn.ob., 1), 76.72, Y.L.S., 28; 3d (syn.ob., 1), 18.05; Troy (syn.ob., 1), 51, 2d Soc. (syn.ob., 1), 19.75, Herron Bd., 7; Xenia, 82.44, Conversazione, 24.94, S.S., 5.15; Mrs. Lydia Thomas (syn.ob., 1), 6, 1,605.23

ELIZABETH.—Basking Ridge, 54.84, Bd., 51, S.C.E., 5; Bethlehem, 41; Clinton, 29.71, Sewing Soc., 30, Star Bd., 7, Boys' Bd., 10, S.C.E. Jr., 5; Connecticut Farms, 31; Cranford, 14.25; Dunellen, 11.66; Elizabeth Assoc. (34.68\*), 525.81; 1st, M. Morrison Bd., 85, A Family, 30, Light Bearers, 25; 2d, Bd., 97; 3d, Y.L.C., 25; Greystone, S.S., 40, Y.P.B., 40; Westm'r, Bd., 535, King's Children, 20; Lamington, 10.50; Liberty Corners, 10; Metuchen, 51.14, Little Gleaners, 25; Perth Amboy, 51.58; Plainfield Assoc., 536.80, Y.L.B., 75; 1st Ch., S.S., 60, S.C.E. Jr., 3, King's Messengers, 4.54; Crescent Av., Sunshine Bd., 40, S.C.E. Jr., 5, Earnest Workers, 30; Pluckemin, 54.37, Crescent Bd., 30; Rahway, 1st, 21.80, Sharon Bd., 50; 2d, 86.16, Harvest Bd., 40; Roselle (169.60\*), 204, S.S., 115.22, L.L.B., 9; Springfield, 27; Westfield, 40, Legacy, Mrs. High, 250, S.C.E. Jr., 5; Woodbridge, 19.26, 3,567.64

ERIE.—Belle Valley, 15; Bradford, 85, Silver Links, 25; Cambridge, 35.66; Cochranton, 19, S.C.E., 5; Conneautville, 13.58; Cool Spring, 10; Corry, 25, S.C.E., 6; East Green, 2.01; Edinboro, 4.36, E. J. Reeder Bd., 25; Erie, 1st, 137.20, S.C.E., 5.70, S.S., 25; Central, Y.W.Bd., 30.77; Chestnut, St. Y.L.B., 25; Park, 149.75, S.C.E., 20, S.C.E. Jr., 25; Fairfield, 5.82; Fairview, 15.52; Franklin, 153, Y.L.B., 40, Olive Br., 11.64, S.S., 63.63; Fredonia, Buds of Promise, 2; Garland, 10; Georgetown, 4.85; Girard, 22.01, S.C.E., 8, S.C.E. Jr., 2.50; Gravel Run, 4.85; Greenville, 133.86, Y.L.B., 24.25, Star of Hope, 10; Hadley, 9.21, S.C.E., 1; Jamestown, 24.63; Kerr Hill, 57.50; Meadville, 1st, 12, Y.L.B., 31, Kate Reynolds Bd., 3; Cent'l, 40.86, Y.P.B., 9.70, S.C.E., 10; Mercer, 1st, 37.50, Y.L.B., 25; 2d, 60.06, Y.P.B., 44.40, Light Bearers, 10.18, L.L.B., 7.57, S.S., 14.10; Mill Village, 7.51; Mt. Pleasant, 9.26; North Clarendon, 2.85; North East, 57, Y.P.B., 36.37, Do-What-You-Can Bd., 20, L.L.B., 2.50, S.S., 20; Oil City, 1st, 134.65, Y.L.B., 40, S.C.E. Jr., 10, S.S., 3.62; Pleasantville, 32.46; Bartlett Bd., 5, Little Workers, 8.6; S.S., 10.66; Salem, 12; Sandy Lake, 10.40; Springfield, 15.16; Stoneboro, 11; Sugar Creek, 21; Sunville, 7; Tidouit, 64.05; Titusville, 510.46, Y.L.B., 198.53, Alexander Bd., 25, Little Helpers, 5, S.S., 25, Prim. Mission Sch., 5.53, S.C.E., 50, S.C.E. Jr., 6; Union City, 47.49; Utica, 1.60; Warren, Y.L.B., 155.20, Arbutus Bd., 10; Waterford, 20.24; Wattsburg, 7.76, S.C.E., 5.65, 3,326.46

FAIRFIELD.—Bethlehem, 1st, 1.67, Willing Workers, 60 cts.; 2d, 1; Carmel, 2.62; Congruity, 75 cts.; Ebenezer, 2.50; Good Will, 2; Hermon, 1.60; Ladson, 5; Lancaster, 50 cts.; Melina, 85 cts.; Mt. Tabor, 50 cts.; Olivet, 50 cts.; Pleasant Grove, 1; Trinity, 1.25, 22.34

HOLSTON.—Asheville, Oakland Heights, 13.75, Normal Col. Inst. Y.L.B., 4, S.C.E. Jr., 3, Home Indust. Sch., 2.30, Fancy Work Club, 20, Farm Sch., 6; College Hill, 1.50; Elizabetheton, 4.58, Bd. of Mercy, 40 cts.; Johnson City, 7; Reem's Creek, 16.70, 79.23

HURON.—Bloomville (syn.ob., 1), 15.55; Clyde (syn.ob., 1), 2.94; Chicago (syn.ob., 1), 13; Elmire, 2.12; Fremont (syn.ob., 1), 63.90, S.C.E. Jr., 5; Fostoria (syn.ob., 1), 20.40, S.C.E., 19.40, S.C.E. Jr., 9.06; Huron (syn.ob., 1), 16.38, S.C.E., 3.36, S.C.E. Jr., 33 cts.; Milan (syn.ob., 1), 3.91; Monroeville (syn.ob., 1), 7.57; Norwalk (syn.ob., 1), 24.05, S.S., 13.20; Olive (syn.ob., 1), 15.99; Peru (syn.ob., 1), 5.85; Sandusky (syn.ob., 1), 19.94; Tiffin (syn.ob., 1), 10.13, S.C.E., 1.29, 265.90

JERSEY CITY.—Paterson, East Side, 13; W. Hoboken Workers, 17; Pres. Soc. Silver Anniv. Off., 201.72, 231.72

KINGSTON.—Harriman, 10.00

KITTANNING.—Apollo, 26.88, Hopeful Bd., 3.40, Faithful Workers, 2.22, Virginia Jack, 5; Bethel, 20, S.C.E., 2.19; Black Lick, 5; Boiling Spring, 23; Centre, 1.75; Clarksburg, 20, S.C.E. Jr., 7; Currie's Run, 16; E. Union, 5; Ebenezer, 30; Elder's Ridge, 30; Donaldson Bd., 8.36; Elderton, 22; Freeport, 19; Gilgal, 5; Glade Run, 15; Harmony, 13; Homer City, 6; Indiana, 85, Light Bearers, 2.50; Jacksonville, 15, S.S., 26, Y.P. Ass'n, 15; Kittanning, 1st, 200; Marion, 8.62; Mechanicsburg, 7.64, Andende Bd., 2.36; Parker City, S.C.E., 18.96; Rural Valley, 14; Saltsburg, 50; Slate Lick, 40; Tunnelton, 10; Union, 6; W. Glade Run, 25; Washington, 20.75; W. Lebanon, 24.91, S.S., 25.87; Worthington, 10.93, 894.34

LACKAWANNA.—Ashley, 24; Athens, 12.50, S.S., 5; Canton, 15; Cardonale, 1st, 152.50, Y.L.B., 5.75, Intermediate S.S., 10; Dunmore, 30, Y.L.C., 42; E. Canton, 9; Franklin, 10.25; Great Bend, 22.75; Harmony, 12.51; Hawley, 18, Mt. Daisy Bd., 3;

Honesdale, 48.65, Mizpah Bd., 12.50, Titus Bd., 15; Kingston, 73.25, Torch Bearers, 10; Langcliffe, 37.50, Livingstone Bd., 52.57, S.C.E., 50, S.C.E. Jr., 50; Little Meadows, 10; Meshop, pen, 5; Monroeton, 12.50, De Heer Bd., 5; Montrose, 122.05, Y.L.B., 5, S.C.E. Jr., 3; Moosic, 50; New Milford, 7; Olyphant, 10; Pittston, 38.60, Parke Bd., 68, Bethel, 8.84, Cl. No. 20, 20, Lakawn Bd., 13.10; Plymouth, 30; Scranton, 1st, 75, Juv. Ass'n, 160.68; 2d Ch., 464, Boys' Bd., 50; Green Ridge Av., 82.67, Boys' Bd., 5; Providence, 53.72, Guild, 10; Washburn St., 22.40, B. Lamont Bd., 34.10, S.C.E. Jr., 5; Shickshinny, 23, Annie Morton Bd., 25, S.S., 14; Stella, 25; Stevensville, 7, S.C.E., 3.18; Susquehanna, 17; Towanda, 56, S.C.E., 24.10, S.C.E. Jr., 5, Overton Bd., 7.50; Troy, 25, Birthday Bd., 6.25; Tunkhannock, 33.40; Uniondale, 2; West Pittston, 52.15, Y.P.B., 35.50, Slocum Chapel, 30; Wilkesbarre, 1st, 165.80, Mrs. Loop's Bd., 25, Y.W.Bd., 120; Memorial, 107, Whosoever-Will Bd., 52, Memorial (Mary, Lynde and Frank) Bd., 11.11; Wyalusing, 1st, 247; Wyalusing, 2d, 25; Wyoming, 19, Sarah Henry Bd., 10, King's Daughters, 10, Wysox, 5, 3,057.38

LEHIGH.—Allentown, 22, Loring Bd., 15, Helpers, 3.92, L.L.B., 2.75; Audenried, 6.36, S.C.E., 6.61; Bangor, 18; Bethlehem, 28, Musgrave Bd., 30, L.L.B., 10; Catsaqua, 1st, 51, Busy Bees, 7.75; Bridge St., Bd., 28.65; Del. Water Gap, 58; Easton, 1st, 100, Y.L.C., 26.25, Loring Bd., 10, Olivet Chapel Bd., 10; Brainerd (70.25)\*, Mrs. Torrey's jug, 51, 180.25, Isabella Nassau Bd., 75.70, Helen Knox Bd., 36; Hazleton (53\*), 111.74, Little Daisy Bd., 5, S.S., 50; Hokendauqua, 3, 50, Cheerful Workers, 2; Lock Ridge, 12; Mahanoy City, 31.55; Mauch Chunk, 137.75, Little Workers, 11, Webster Circle, 29, L. Lights, 7, S.C.E., 22.90; Middle Smithfield, 12; Port Carbon, 16; Pottsville, 1st, 30; 2d, 17; Reading, 1st, Sparkling Gems, 15; Olivet, Aftermath Bd., 5; Shawnee, 25, Sunrise Bd., 3.30; S. Bethlehem, 22; Stroudsburg, 54.85, Y.P. Guild, 25, S.C.E. Jr., 2, Little Reapers, 20; Tamaqua, Mayflower Bd., 13.63; Upper Lehigh, 43, 1,443.46

LIMA.—Ada, 12.35; Bluffton (syn.ob., 1), 3.65, S.S., 2.50, S.C.E., 2.65; Delphos, 72.69, S.C.E., 50; Enon Valley, 13; Findlay, 1st, 48.69; 2d, 9.65; Leipsic, 12.50; Lima, 1st (syn.ob., 1), 33.50, S.S., 15; McComb, 5; New Stark, 4; Ottawa, 20; Rockford, 10; St. Mary's, 16.09; Sidney, 75; Van Buren, 10; Van Wert (syn.ob., 1), 25.48, S.S., 36.55; Wapakoneta, 5, 483.30

MCCLELLAND.—Calvary, 1.00

MAHONING.—Alliance, 36, Y.L.B., 13; Canfield, 28, S.C.E., 11.50; Canton, 1st, 50, Little Gleaners, 6; Champion, 7; Columbiana, 3.08; Hubbard, 20; Kinsman, 11.50; Leontonia, 6.80; Lisbon, 50; Masillon, 20; Middle Sandy, 10.65; Mineral Ridge, 6, S.C.E., 3, S.C.E. Jr., 3; Niles, 10.50; North Benton, 20; Poland, 15, Y.L.S., 32.09; Salem, 48.41; Warren, 25; Youngstown, 1st, 74.50, Y.W.B., 59.50; Westm'r, 15.20, S.E.C. Jr., 9.45; Pres. Soc. syn.ob., 14, 609.18

MARION.—Ashley (syn.ob., 1), 11; Berlin, 18.23; Brown (syn.ob., 1), 10.50; Cardington, 7; Chesterville (syn.ob., 1), 8, Gleaners, 1.50, S.C.E., 6; Delaware (syn.ob., 4), 140, Y.P.S., 40, Junior Soc., 25; Delhi, 6; Jerome (syn.ob., 1), 20.87; Rosebuds, 5.15; Liberty (syn.ob., 1), 31; Marion (syn.ob., 1.75), 99.29, S.C.E. Jr., 15; Marysville (syn.ob., 1), 66; Milford Centre (syn.ob., 1.15), 26.15; Mt. Gilead (syn.ob., 1), 10.35; Ostrander, 8.60; Pisgah, 9; Radnor, 8; Thompson (syn.ob., 1), 10; Richwood (syn.ob., 1), 6; Trenton (syn.ob., 1), 36, Rays of Light, 7; West Berlin (syn.ob., 1), 20; York (syn.ob., 1), 7, 650.64

MAUMEE.—Antwerp, 9.50; Bowling Green, 67.03; Bryan, 11.73; Defiance, 46.19; Delta, 5.10; Eagle Creek, 6.85; Edger ton, 3.88; Grand Rapids, 5.85; Hicksville, 1.80; Maumee, 1, Mt. Salem, 2.91; Napoleon, 4.85; New Rochester, 8.76; North Baltimore, 13.14; Paulding, 8.76; Pemberville, 4.85; Perrysburg, 1st, 8.20, Walnut St., 8.76; Toledo, 1st, 14.10; 3d Ch., 21, Willing Workers, 4.85, S.C.E. Jr., 1; Collingwood Av., 82.48, Helpers, 2.40; Westm'r, 44.73, S.S., 13.10; Tontogony, 9.59; W. Bethesda, 1; Weston, 14.55; West Unity, 30.20, 465.26

MONMOUTH.—Allentown, 100; Asbury Park, A Lady, 25; Barnegat, 24; Beverly, 116.56, S.S., 23.35, S.C.E., 8.12, S.C.E. Jr., 1; Bordentown, 41.40; Burlington, 98.99, V. R. Hedge Bd., 30; Columbus, 6.76; Cranbury, 1st, 131, S.S., 30, S.C.E., 22.20, S.C.E. Jr., 12; 2d, 113.50, Bible Cl., 6.66, S.S., 25, Inf. Sch., 5, S.C.E., 22.88, Willing Helpers, 31.36; Cream Ridge, 10; De lanco, 6; Freehold (special 25), 160.50, S.S., 85, King's Help ers, 30; Hightstown, 50, Amaranth Bd., 45; Jacksonville, 5; Jamesburg, 62.60, S.S., 60; Lakewood, 104.18; Manalapan, 12.50; Matawan, 51.80, Glenwood Bd., 65, Willing Workers, 25, S.C.E., 5, S.C.E. Jr., 1; Moorestown, 40; Mt. Holly, 55.62; Oceanic, Bd., 50; Plumstead, 11.50; Point Pleasant, 10; River ton, S.S., 32; W. Palmyra, S.S., 3.50; Shrewsbury, 1.25, Eaton town, Bd., 30; Tennant, 49.50, Immortelle Bd., 22, 2,082.57

MORRIS AND ORANGE.—Chatham, S.S., 60; East Orange, 1st, Y.L.B., 50; German Valley, 25; Hanover (24)\*, 101; Mendham, 22, S.S., 10.75; New Providence, Holcomb Bd., 10, S.S., 39; Orange, 1st, 125, Boys' Club, 5; Central, 461.40; Hillside 121.65, Young Missionaries, 25; Parsippany, S.S., 25; Rocka way, 44.25; Succasunna, 10; Summit, Bd., 10; Whippany, 4.25; Wyoming, 16.02, 1,165.32

NEWARK.—Arlington, 15; Bloomfield, 1st, debt 25\*; Westm'r (debt, 50.30\*), 162.80, Bd., 10, Junior, Julia Stem Mum'l Bd. (debt, 10\*), 155; Caldwell (debt, 12\*), 91.50; Lyons Farms, 25, Twinkling Stars, 25; Montclair, 1st, debt, 35.25\*, Y.L.B.



(debt, 21.50\*); 26.50, Sunbeams, 65; Grace (debt, 5\*), 30, S. C. E. Jr., 10; Trinity, 50; Newark, 2d, 405, Star Bd., 17; 3d Ch., debt, 12\*, Crusaders, 50; 6th, S. S., 30, Inf. Sch., 15; Bethany, 30, Two Young Ladies, 15; Calvary, debt, 15\*, Phebe Bd., 15; Central, 8; Fewsmit, S. C. E. Jr., 20; Forest Hill, 5\*, 5th Av., 50, Starlight Bd., 6; High St. (debt, 15\*), 109.46, F. Meeker Bd., 15; Park (30\*), 155, S. C. E. Jr., 15; Roseville (debt, 28\*), 165, Heralds, 65; S. Park, 274.04; Wickcliffe, 36, S. S., 25; Rose-

land, 60, 2,258.64  
 [The remainder of receipts for April will appear in Wo-  
 MAN'S WORK for July.]  
 Total for April, \$59,824.47  
 Total for year, \$138,694.04

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### Receipts of the Woman's Presbyterian Board of Missions of the Northwest to April 20, 1897.

ABERDEEN.—Aberdeen, 25, C. E., 10, Hope Bd., 15.40; Britton, 20; Croton, 25.38. \$95.78  
 BISMARCK.—Bismarck, 5.62; Mandan, 5.30, 10.92  
 BLACK HILLS.—Sturgis, 1.00  
 BLOOMINGTON.—Bement, Sunbeams, 3; Bloomington, 2d, C. E., 5; Clarence, C. E., 3.50; Clinton, Willing Workers, 2.65; Y. W. S., 7.50, Baby Bd., 4; Danville, 35, Jr. C. E., 11; Farmer City, 7.45, C. E., 2; Gibson, 50, C. E., 5; Minonk, 2, S. S., 20; Onaga, 4.06, S. S., 6.41, C. E., 33.15; Paxton, 1.85; Towanda, 9.05; Urbana, 9.50; Wenona, 6.57; Waynesville, 2.55; —, 2.16. 230.60

BOISE.—Bellevue, 1; Boise, 1.50; Caldwell, 2, 4.50  
 BOULDER.—Berthoud, 18.05; Boulder, 40.40; Cheyenne, 10.40; Ft. Collins, 14.50; Ft. Morgan, 11, C. E., 5; Laramie, 26; Rawlins, 14.50; Longmont, 14, Jr. C. E., 3; Timnath, 3.75, 157.10  
 BOX BUTTE.—Marshall Ch., 80 cts.; Gordon Ch., 70 cts.; Union Star Ch., 1.60, C. E., 1; Valentine Ch., 2; Valley Ch., 40 cts., C. E., 1; Rushville, 2; Willow Creek Ch., 90 cts., 10.40  
 BUTTE.—Butte, 10; Hamilton, 2, 12.00

CAIRO.—Anna, 20; Cairo, 14.50; Carbondale, 10, C. E., 5; Carterville, 2.50, Mrs. Wm. S. Wilson, 2.50, Fairfield, 8.40; Linn, Wabash Ch., 2; Murphysboro, 15.48; Olney, 25; Oding, 6.40, C. E., 1; Pisgah, 1; Anon., 4 cts., 113.82  
 CEDAR RAPIDS.—Anamosa, 1.83; Bellevue, C. E., 3.25; Blairtown, 43.96, S. S., 10.70, Y. L. S., 19.42; Cedar Rapids, 1st, 180.30, Holmes Soc., 7.38, S. S., 73.61; 2d, 35, C. E., 5, King's Daughters, 4; 3d, C. E., 5; 4th, C. E., 5; Central Pk. Ch., 20.92; Clarence, 15.50, C. E., 5; Clinton, 91.80; Center Junction, 3.68; Garrison, 6.70, C. E., 5; Lyons, 7.25; C. E., 5; Marion, 35.89, C. E., 7.57; Mechanicsville, 13.24, C. E., 5, S. S., 8.65; Monticello, 4.01; Mt. Vernon, 25, C. E., 5.30, The Gleaners, 4.85; Linn Grove Ch., Aurora Borealis Soc., 14.55; Onslow, 8.73; Shellsburg, Mrs. M. P. Smith, 4; Scotch Grove, 5; Springville, 6.50; Vinton, 68.96, C. E., 7.50, S. S., 25; Wyoming, 19.40, C. E., 5, S. S., 5. 834.72

CENTRAL DAKOTA.—Flandreau, S. S., 4.16; Miller, 8, 10, 12, 26  
 CHICAGO.—Arlington Heights, 15.20; Austin, 39.05; Bryn Mawr, Inf. Cl., 1; Braidwood, C. E., 3; Coal City, C. E., 3; Chicago, Bethlehem Chapel, 6.93, C. E., 5, Jr. C. E., 2; Campbell Pk. Ch., C. E., 17; Central Pk. Ch., 10; Ch. of the Covenant, 11.40, Pr. off., 3.25; Fullerton Av., Ch., 31.55, Pr. off., 23; 2d, 95.50, Little Helpers, 7; 3d, Y. W. S., 123.75, C. E., 200; 4th, 445.31, Pr. off., 35; Children of the Neighborhood Sch., 2; Christ Chapel Sew. Sch., 11.73; 6th, 73.15, Easter off., 1.50; 8th, 10; 9th, 5; 41st, S. S., 25.50; 70th St. Ch., 9.45; Emerald Av. Ch., 10.80; Englewood, 1st, 18, C. E., 25.93; Hyde Pk., 25.55, Busy Bees, 6.25; Immanuel Ch., Jr. C. E., 1.25; Jefferson Pk. Ch., 57; Lake View Ch., 46; Olivet Mem'l Chapel, C. E., 1; South Side Tabernacle, Pr. off., 15.44; West Division St. Ch., Girls' Bd., 8; Cabery, 5, C. E., 3; Ridgeway Av. Ch., 2.59, Jr. C. E., 50 cts.; South Chicago, C. E., 5; Du Page Ch., 10; Evanston, 1st, 85.95; Herscher, 2; Highland Pk., 8.77, C. E., 10; Hinsdale, 4, 5, S. S., 3.25, Mrs. E. C. Linsley, 1; Joliet, 1st, 5; Kankakee, 41; Lake Forest, 254.26, Th. off. of a grateful grandmother, 10, C. E., 8.40, Steady Streams, 60.35, Y. P. S., 149.81, Ferry Hall Soc., 30; Oak Pk., C. E., 20; Riverside, 10; Waukegan, C. E., 5; Wilmington, 5, C. E., 2.50; Anon., 2.25, Rally off., 58.67, L. B. C., Pr. off., 10, Dr. Marshall's mite box, 11.93, E. S., for debt, 100, 2,357.27

CHIPPewa.—Ashland, 3.50; Bayfield, 1.64; Chippewa Falls, 7.50; Eau Claire, 14.76, S. S., 5.92; Hudson, 30.70, Willing Workers, 8.10; Phillips, 2.50; Superior, 5; West Superior, 3.95; Rice Lake, 3.50, 87.16  
 CORNING.—Bedford, 19.12, C. E., 9.35; Clarinda, 16, Pilgrim Bd., 5; Creston, 5.75; Corning, 12.76; Gravity, 70 cts.; Diagnostic, 1; Emerson, 6.85; Essex, 16.46, S. S., 2.54; Lenox, 9.20, Prairie Chapel, 10; Malvern, 12.30, S. S., 7.50; Mt. Airy, 9.95; Red Oak, 4.85, C. E., 13; Shenandoah, 8.81, S. S., 9.60; Sidney, 14.10; Villisca, 2.50; Platte Center, 25 cts.; Randolph, 2.05, 199.64

COUNCIL BLUFFS.—Atlantic, 6.40; Audubon, 35; Council Bluffs, 43.98, Y. P. S., 12.50; 2d, 2.85; Hardin Tp. Ch., 1.08; Casey, 5; Griswold, 8; Bethel Chapel, 1.95; Guthrie Center, 8.65; Greenfield, 5; Menlo, 21.67, Y. P. S., 15, Jr. C. E., 2.50; Missouri Valley, 10.07, Jr. C. E., 2.50, Y. P. S., 3; Neola, 3.64; Shelby, 4.85; Woodbine, 9.95, Jr. C. E., 2.25; East Woodbine, 1.15; Walnut, 3.20, 210.28

CRAWFORDSVILLE.—Attica, 26.85, King's Daughters, 12.60; Beulah Ch., 11; Boswell, C. E., 1; Clinton, 4.32; Covington, 4.35; Crawfordsville, 1st, 8; Center Ch., 60, Y. L. S., 2, C. E., 5, S. S., 60; Lexington, N., 3.20; Dana, 15; Darlington, 1.30; Dayton, 58, S. S., 60; Delphi, 36.97, S. S., 4.86, C. E., 1.96, Misses Ricketts and Cory, 5; Frankfort, 78.65, C. E., 25.47, S. S., 56.34; Judson, 5; Ladoga, 2.50; Lafayette, 1st, 30, S. S., 12.34; 2d, 68; Spring Grove, 4.55; Lebanon, 6.40, Coral Builders, 4; Union Ch., 5; Bethany Ch., C. E., 2.65; Newtown, 17.66,

Buds of Promise, 4.65; Oxford, 3.75, C. E., 2; Rockfield, 5; Rockville, 22.25, C. E., 5, S. S., 8; Romney, 25; Thornton, 22.30, Brier Bd., 5; Waveland, 16.25; Williamsport, 11.55, 830.72  
 DAYTON.—Oxford, The Western, Union Soc., 75.00  
 DENVER.—Athens, S. Broadway Ch., 11.75; Denver, Central Ch., 126.55; 1st Av. Ch., 22.57, Y. L. Bd., 1.35; North Ch., 10.65, C. E., 1.13; 23d Av. Ch., 1.25, John Dove and family, 6.25; Hyde Pk. Ch., 5.71, Bd., 1.80; Highland Pk. Ch., 8.50; Westm'r Ch., 16.75, Whatsoever Bd., 5; York St. Ch., 4.50, Bd., 1.35; Georgetown, 4.73; Golden, 21.60; Idaho Springs, 4.86; Anon., 5 cts., 289.10  
 DES MOINES.—Adel, 7.50; Allerton, 6, S. S., 2.11, C. E., 62 cts.; Centerville, 17.14; Chariton, 6.25, C. E., 8.50, S. S., 6.81; Dallas, 10.30; Des Moines, Central Ch., 78.75, C. E., 42.50; East Ch., 9.92, S. S., 10; 6th, 5.15; Highland Pk. Ch., 4; Westm'r Ch., 13, C. E., 14.55; Dexter, 9.50, C. E., 4.37; Garden Grove, 5.34, C. E., 2.91; Indianola, 33.95, C. E., 9.70, Jr. C. E., 1.94; Jay, 3; Knoxville, 10.15; Leon, 13.57, C. E., 3, Jr. C. E., 1.12; Milo, 5; Newton, 3.88, S. S., 2; New Sharon, 5; Chain Circle, 3.39; Osceola, 2.44; Oskaloosa, 10.91; Panora, 2.76; Perry, 8.68; Russell, 10, C. E., 30 cts., S. S., 4, Winterse, 40.95, 440.97

DETROIT.—Ann Arbor, 58.12, Y. L. S., 16, S. S., 14.48; Birmingham, 12.50, Y. P. S., 2.30, S. S., 2.66; Detroit, Bethany Ch., 8.90; Calvary Ch., 21.06, C. E., 14.70; 1st, Richardson Hd., 50, Y. P. S., 70 cts.; Forest Ave. Ch., 13.35; Fort St. Ch., 701.04; Mem'l Ch., 24.38, Y. L. S., 10.49, Cheerful Laborers, 3.79, S. S., 6.81, C. E., 4.90; Trumbull Ave. Ch., 18.62; Westm'r Ch., 58.83; Holly, 15.15; Milford, Y. L. S., 27.44, United Bds., 23.52, C. E., 3.25; Northville, 24.04; Ypsilanti, 79.46, Y. P. M., 70, 1, 286.58  
 DUBUQUE.—Coggon, 4.32; Dubuque, 1st, 4.76; 2d, 39.58, C. E., 6, Jr. C. E., 2; French Creek, Mt. Hope Ch., 3.13; Hazleton, 20, Jr. C. E., 1; Hopkinton, 8.35, Pr. off., 23.28, C. E., 3.15, Jr. C. E., 2.47; Independence, 29.49, C. E., 25; Jesup, 10; Lansing, 20; McGregor, C. E., 2.46; Manchester, 5, C. E., 5; Winthrop, Pine Creek Ch., 13, C. E., 12.14; Volga, 2, 225.13

DULUTH.—Brainard, 1.10; Duluth, 1st, 78.69; 2d, 10.97, Brigade, 7.48; Westm'r Ch., 2.44; Fond du Lac, Miss Hood, 5; Glen Avon, 23.07; Grand Rapids, 3.70; Lakeside, Irvin Soc., 4.06; Pine City, 2.50; Sandstone, 3; Tower, 4.45; Two Harbors, 19.66, S. S., 15, 184.12  
 FARGO.—Hillsboro, 10.50; Jamestown, S. S., 3; Fargo, 1st, 4.50; Sanborn, 3.50, 21.50

FT. WAYNE.—Auburn, 2.50; Bluffton, 17; Elkhart, 71.36, C. E., 8.50; Ft. Wayne, 1st, 100.88, Mrs. D. B. Wells' Cl., 22, S. S., 25; Westm'r Ch., 41.50, S. S., 7.50; 3d, 37.82, S. S., 4.11; Goshen, 41.34, Y. L. C., 100, S. S., 18.90; Huntington, 24.89, C. E., 3.13; Kendallville, 6.30, S. S., 3, C. E., 2.50; La Grange, 7; Ligonier, 5; Lima, 19.30, S. S., 6.88; Ossian, 1.7; Pierceton, 1; Warsaw, 5, 599.41

FT. DODGE.—Armstrong, 9.04; Boone, C. E., 20.52; Carroll, 14, C. E., 4; Churdan, 1.50, C. E., 2.44; Dana, 5.39; Estherville, 12.60; Ft. Dodge, 119.85, Jr. C. E., 4.85; Grand Junction, 3.88; Glidden, 8; Germania, 1.94; Jefferson, 20, Jr. C. E., 4, S. S., 9.08; Lake City, 2.50; Lohrville, 5; Livermore, 5; Maple Hill, 1.94; Rockwell City, 3, C. E., 1.94; Spirit Lake, 4.80, 265.27

FLINT.—Caro, 6, C. E., 15, Jr. C. E., 10; Corunna, F. O. T. H., 1.30, C. E., 2; Flint, 3.12, Y. W. S., 10, S. S., 10; Lapeer, 47, S. S., 50, C. E., 15, Jr. C. E., 60 cts.; Morrice, 2; Vassar, 12.65, 184.67

FREEMONT.—Argyle, Willow Creek Ch., 36.47, C. E., 5.88; Belvidere, 37; Cedarville, Sunbeam Bd., 9; Dakota, Rock Run Ch., 9; Freeport, 12; Oregon, 2.15; Freeport, 2d, 11.50; Galeana, South Ch., 22.62; Guilford, S. S. Gleaners, 13.25; Hanover, 20; Harvard, 4.10; Marengo, 19; Ridgfield, 15; Rockford, Westm'r Ch., 11.50, Earnest Workers, 6.60; Woodstock, 13.35, 248.42

GREAT FALLS.—Havre, 3.25  
 GUNNISON.—Aspen, 4.45; Grand Junction, 11.70; Leadville, 6.35; Ouray, 5, 27.50  
 HASTINGS.—Ayr, Mrs. Rogers, 1; Hastings, 3.50; Pbyl. off., 75 cts., 5.25

HELENA.—Bozeman, 28; Helena, 8.50, 36.50  
 INDIANAPOLIS.—Bloomington, 13.30, C. E., 2.50; Brazil, Busy Bees, 2; Columbus, 15.75; Franklin, 37.50, C. E., 28; Greenwood, 13; Hopewell, 57.10, C. E., 5; Greenfield, 2; Greencastle, 20.50; Indianapolis, 1st, 150, S. S., 52, Sunshine Circle, 10, 2d, 87.78, King's Daughters, 15, Y. W. S., 6; 4th, 37.14, Picketts, 13.21, Stella Bd., 7.25; 6th, 6; 7th, 27.20, Annabette Wishard Soc., 10.75; E. Washington St. Ch., 5; Tabernacle Ch., 328.58, P. S. S., 30; Mem'l Ch., 23, C. E., 11.48; Spencer, 7, C. E., 2; Southport, 13, Busy Bees, 25.50; Whiteland, 23.80; Indianapolis Nat'l Bank Dividend, 16.08; Gift, 1, 1,05.42  
 IOWA.—Birmingham, 17.81, Jr. C. E., 75 cts.; Bloomfield, 4, C. E., 1; Burlington, 76.74, C. E., 5, King's Children, 46; Fair-

field, 79.05; Gleaners, 6; Ft. Madison, 31.27, S.S., 15; Keokuk, 82, C.E., 5; Kossuth, 9, C.E., 2; Libertyville, 5.26; Martinsburg, 3.76; Middletown, 4.26; Morning Sun, 10, C.E., 10, S.S., 24.25; Mt. Pleasant, 27.89, C.E., 2; New London, 3.28; Ottumwa, 25; Wapello, 2, S.S., 1.46; West Point, 5; Winfield, 3.50, C.E., 1, 509.28  
 IOWA CITY.—Brooklyn, 6.35; Columbus Junction, 20; Crawfordville, 3.65; Davenport, 1st, 13.39; 2d, 5.50; Keota, Y.L.M.S., 2; Deep River, 3; Iowa City, 21.53; Scott Ch., 4.86; Unity Ch., 3.50, S.S., 7.24; Marengo, 11.02, Jr. C.E., 7; Malcom, 5; Montezuma, 15; Muscatine, 10, Mrs. Robertson, Th. off., 10; Princeton, 7.50; Sigourney, 5.25; Tipton, 26.20, C.E., 10; Red Oak Grove Ch., 6.75; Washington, 50.30; Bethel Ch., 5; West Branch, 25; West Liberty, 7.78; Williamsburg, 15; Wilton, 10; Pbyl. off., 3.42; Pbyl. Jr. C.E., 4.58, 325.82  
 KALAMAZOO.—Benton Harbor, 5.20; Buchanan, 2.50; Cassopolis, 2.62; Decatur, 5.25, C.E., 2.50; Edwardsburg, 3.13; Kalamazoo, 44.55, C.E., 20; Martin, 6.65; Niles, 50.68; Pearl Seekers, 6; Paw Paw, 7, C.E., 4.27, S.S., 5; Plainwell, 6.50,

### Receipts of the Woman's Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions of the Southwest for the Month ending April 24, 1897.

AUSTIN.—Austin, 1st, 26.20; San Antonio, Madison Sq., 32.05; Pearsall, Y.L.M.C., 12, A.C.R., 1.45, \$71.70  
 CHOCTAW.—S. McAlester, 1.15  
 CIMARRON.—Ardmore, 2, C.E., 1; Purcell, 3.75, 6.75  
 EMPORIA.—Arkansas City, 5.30, C.E., 13.50, S.S., 12.19; Burlingame, 5.50; Cottonwood Falls, 4.30; Caldwell, 6.95; Council Grove, 23.60, C.E., 7.50, Mrs. W. E. Mack, 50; Derby, 10.86; Morning Stars, 75 cts.; El Dorado, 20, C.E., 6.35, Miss. Bd., 57 cts.; Elmendorf, 3; Emporia, 9.85; Arundel Av., 2.05; Howard, C.E., 5, S.S., 2.31; Madison, C.E., 49 cts.; Mulvane, 2.10; Newton, 19.23, Jr. C.E., 15; Peabody, 10.06, C.E., 25; Waverly, 11.20; Wellington, 8.26, C.E., 15; White City, 3, Jr. C.E., 3; Wichita, 1st, 42.74, Y.W.L., 1.50, Miss. Bd., 13.54, Mrs. E. Higginson, 25, Jr. C.E., 2; Lincoln St., 5.50, C.E., 70 cts.; Oak St., 1.42; West Side, 17.50, Jr. C.E., 25 cts.; Winfield, 15.50, Mrs. E. V. Schriver, 2, 438.57  
 HIGHLAND.—Atchison, C.E., 2.20; Axtell, 2.60, C.E., 2; Baileyville, C.E., 2.80; Blue Rapids, 7.16; Corning, 7.07; Clifton, C.E., 5.83; Frankfort, 4.27; Hiawatha, 16.67, C.E., 3.40; Highland, 12.96, C.E., —, Jr. C.E., 3; Holton, 27.60; Horton, 23.27, C.E., 7.50, Jr. C.E., 2.50; Nortonville, 2.60; Palmer, 10; Vermillion, 3.75, C.E., 5.85; Washington, 3.25, Jr. C.E., 2.46, 164.03  
 KANSAS CITY.—Appleton City, 8.76; Brownington, 3.71; Butler, 40.83, C.E., 16, Y.L.M.C., 3.75; Clinton, 15.57, C.E., 46 cts., Jr. C.E., 26 cts., Dorcas Bd., 6.80; Creighton, O.B. M.S., 8; Deepwater, 5; Holden, 6.75; Independence, 24; Jefferson City, 1st, Kansas City, 1st, 115, Jr. C.E., 3.22, S.S., 9.60; 2d, 172.15, Jr. C.E., 5, S.S., 134.26, C.E., 31.85; 3d, 8.30; 5th, 9.50, C.E., 1.25, Jr. C.E., 90 cts.; Linwood, 10.25; Knobnoster, 5.35; Lowry City, 1.80; Nevada, 3, Jr. C.E., 1; Osceola, 3.30, Little Gleaners, 1; Raymore, 10.95, Jr. C.E., 78 cts., S.S., 9.11; Sedalia, Broadway, 7.19; Central 20, Golden Threads, 5; Sharon, 7; Tipton, 7; Warrensburg, 7.65, 743.30  
 LARNED.—Arlington, 6, C.E., 7; Burrton, 4.60; Dodge City, 2.60, Jr. C.E., 2.74; Hutchinson, 21.67, Y.L.M.S., 15, C.E., 20, Jr. C.E., 2.50, S.S., 3.96; Kingman, C.E., 1.85; Lyons, 5; McPherson, 19.19, C.E., 15, Diamond Seekers, 1; Pratt, 1, C.E., 1, 130.11  
 NEOSHO.—Bartlett, 2.50, B. Bd., 1.03; Carlyle, 10.13; Cheryvale, C.E., 1; Cherokee, 1; Chetopa, 5; Coffeyville, 10; Colony, 1.50, Jr. C.E., 1, Bd., 50 cts.; Columbus, 10; Fort Scott, 8, C.E., 1.60; Garnett, 4, Jr. C.E., 1; Geneva, 1.80; Girard, 3.50; Humboldt, 23.34; Independence, 28, S.S., 6.63; Iola, 9; Louisburg, 1.75; McCune, 4.22; Moran, 2d, Bd., 1.20, Jr. C.E., 1.67; Neodesha, 3.50; Neosho Falls, 3, C.E., 2.50; Paolo, Jr. C.E., 1; Pleasanton, 1; Pittsburg, 5.50, C.E., 5, Jr. C.E., 5; Osawatimie, 4; Oswego, 24; Ottawa, 17.25, C.E., 11; Toronto, 1.50; Parsons, 6.15; Yates Center, 2, Jr. C.E., 1.33, 235.10

NORTH TEXAS.—Dennison, 3.05, S.S.M.S., 5.15, 8.20  
 OKLAHOMA.—Guthrie, 2.70; Enid, 5; Oklahoma City, 19.50, 27.20

OZARK.—Ash Grove, 6.25; Carthage, 1st, 34.15, Y.L.M.S., 6.25, Alden Circle, 3.70, Deo Data Bd., 1.50, C.E., 1; Westm'r, 49.50, Y.L.M.S., 25; Eureka Springs, 2.35; Greenfield, 5, C.E., 5; Joplin, 1st, 33, Jr. C.E., 6.50; Mt. Vernon, 10.70; Neo-

### Receipts for Foreign Missions of the Woman's North Pacific Board of Missions for Quarter ending March 31, 1897.

EASTERN OREGON.—Union, Aux., 3.95, Bd., 4.30, C.E., 1.80; Pendleton, Aux., 5, \$15.05  
 OLYMPIA.—Centralia, 4.50; Ridgefield, S.S., 5.27, C.E., 19; Stella, 2.10; Tacoma, 1st, 36.12, Estate of Mary E. Sutton, 10, C.E., 10, Prim. S.S., 25; Westm'r, 4; Immanuel, 10.96; Calvary, 3.50; Vancouver, 3.18, S.S., 1.12, 134.75  
 PORTLAND.—Astoria, Aux., 20.33, C.E., 10; Clatsop Plains, Aux., 3; Dille, Aux., 2; Oregon City, Aux., 3.50; Portland, 1st, Aux., 495.66, S.S., 20.90, C.E., 50; Clatsop, Aux., 56.38, C.E., 42.48, S.S., 25, K.C., 3; 3d, Aux., 7.45; 4th, Aux., 14.55; C.E., 7; Forbes, 6.65, Jr. C.E., 2; St. John's, 3; Mizpah, 1.51, C.S., 5.50; Westm'r, 1.50; Springwater, 1.50, 782.91  
 PUGET SOUND.—Anacortes, Aux., 2; Auburn, Aux., 2.50;

C.E., 5; Richland, 4.83; Sturgis, 2.42; Three Rivers, 29.40, 213.50  
 KEARNEY.—Broken Bow, 10; Fullerton, 10.83; Lexington, C.E., 1.78; North Loup, 2.50; Wood River, C.E., 9, S.S., 50 cts., 34.61

KENDALL.—Idaho Falls, 1.60  
 LA CROSSE.—Galesville, 14.50; La Crosse, 26, Jr. C.E., 20; Neillville, 1.73; West Salem, 14, 76.23  
 LAKE SUPERIOR.—Escanaba, 5; Ford River, 8; Iron Mountain, 6.25; Ishpeming, C.E., 10.50; Manistique, Y.L. Aid Soc., 11.29; Marquette, 1st, Lake Superior Bd., 50; Menominee, 17.18, Jr. C.E., 12.50; Sault Ste. Marie, 20, C.E., 7.01, 147.73  
 [The remainder of receipts for April will appear in WOMAN'S WORK for July.]

Total for month, \$21,342.33  
 Total receipts since April 20, 1896, \$70,569.00

MRS. C. B. FARWELL, Treas.,  
 CHICAGO, April 20, 1897. Room 48, McCormick Block.

sho, 9, C.E., 3, We Show You Bd., 2; Ozark Prairie, 16, C.E., 2.50; Springfield, Calvary, 31, Y.L.M.S., 22.25; Willing Workers, 6.47; 2d, 12.20, S.S., 2, C.E., 3.25; Webb City, 6; West Plains, 7.13; White Oak, by Mrs. M. A. Wilson, 11.50, C.E., 8.50, 324.70

PALMYRA.—Bethel, 1.55; Brookfield, 11.85; Canton, Mrs. Brooks, 1.25; Clarence, 3; Edina, 3.85; Ethel, 1.28; Glasston, 2.25; Hannibal, 37.50, Jr. C.E., 8; Kirksville, C.E., 5; Little Juniors, 2.50; La Grange, 2; Knox City, 6.00; Louisiana, 5.50, Jr. C.E., 7 cts.; Macon, 8.65, C.E., 1.50; Willing Workers, 2.50; Moberly, 18.27; New Cambria, 4.03; New Providence, C.E., 3; Unionville, 2.50, 129.65

PLATTE.—Albany, 6.10; Avalon, 3.10; Breckenridge, 3.30; Cameron, 17, C.E., 1.60; Chillicothe, 14; Craig, C.E., 5; Fairfax, C.E., 1.15; Grant City, 6.50; King City, 2.70, C.E., 4.60; Lathrop, 8.05; Martinville, 5; Maryville, 34.20; New Hampton, 6; Oregon, 9, C.E., 10; Parkville, 40.19, Prim. S.S., 7.20, Busy Bee Bd., 1.82; Savannah, 5; Stanberry, C.E., 1.45; St. Joseph, Hope, 5; 3d St., 3; Westm'r, 12.55, S.S., 11, C.E., 4.75; Tarkio, 20.45, S.S., 5, Mary Palmer Bd., 5, C.E., 8.68; Tina, 3; Weston, 7.50, 278.84

SEQUOYAH.—Elm Springs, 12.50; Muscogee, 4; Park Hill, 6.50; Tahlequah, 5, 28.00

SOLOMON.—Abilene, 18, Jr. C.E., 1; Belleville, 7; Beloit, 11; Bennington, 5, C.E., 3.57; Cawker City, 16, C.E., 5, Jr. C.E., 3; Clyde, 7.38; Delphos, 3, Jr. C.E., 2.50; Lincoln, 3.50, C.E., 1.75; Minneapolis, 2.48, C.E., 7.04; Poheta, 7.40; Salina, 2.75; Solomon, 2.50, C.E., 4.50, S.S., 4.50; Wilson, 7.75, 138.62

SANTA FE.—Raton, 1st, 7.50  
 ST. LOUIS.—Bethel, 5; De Soto, 5; Ironton, B. B. Bd., 75 cts., C.E., 2.50; Kirkwood, 32.12, Y.L.B., 36; Kimmiswick, 5; Nazareth, 3.25; Poplar Bluffs, 15.02; St. Charles, 9.65; Lindenwood, 10; Webster Grove, 16; White Water, 3; St. Louis, Carondelet, 12.30, Y.L.B., 16.70; Covenant, 6; Compton Hill Chapel, C.E., 10; Cote Brillante, 5; 1st Germ., 1; 1st Pres., 94.50, McKee Bd., 12.50; Forest Park Univ., 7.20; Glasgow Av., 35, Jr. C.E., 1.50; Laf. Pk., 139.91, Y.L.M.B., 25; McCausland Av., C.E., 2; Mem'l Taber., 2; North, 33; 2d, 100, C.E., 27.40, Wall Builders, 100; Wash. & Compt. Avs., 108.58, Y.M.S.S., 20; West, Jr. C.E., 10, 913.87

TOPEKA.—Argentine, 3; Auburn, 5; Baldwin, 6.93; Clay Center, 22.50; Edgerton, 14; Junction City, 10.10; Kas. City, Central, 5; First, 28, C.E., 15.75, Inter. C.E., 8.50; Grandview Pk., 21.65, Jr. C.E., 1; Western Highlands, 13.05; Lawrence, 51.75, Jr. C.E., 1; Leavenworth, C.E., 35; Manhattan, 3, Jr. C.E., 3; Seymour, 5; Oskaloosa, 9.50, C.E., 8; Olathe, 3.50; Rossville, 11; Spring Hill, 4.40; Stanley, 5; Topeka, 1st, 72.35, S.S., 18.51, C.E., 8.50; 3d, 2; Oakland, C.E., 3.15; Westm'r, 3.85, C.E., 8.63, Gleaners, 4; Vinland, 7.07; Wamego, 8.65, 426.34

TRINITY.—Albany, 40; Glen Rose, 25 cts., 40.25  
 MISCELLANEOUS.—St. Louis Pres., 7; Palmyra Pres., 6.19, 13.19

Total for month, \$4,109.07  
 Total to date, \$10,979.63

MRS. WILLIAM BURG, Treas.,  
 St. Louis, Mo., April 24, 1897. 1756 Missouri Ave.

Ellensburg, 10; Fairhaven, 4.21; Interbay Mission, 1; N. Yakima, 6.67; New Whatcom, 10; Seattle, 1st, 38.94; 2d, 3; Westm'r, 12.13; Sumner, 6.08, Prim. S.S., 1.06; Kent, 5.96, 103.55  
 SOUTHERN OREGON.—Ashland, 3; Medford, 5, 8.00  
 SPOKANE.—Spokane, 1st, Aux., 12.20, C.E., 25, 37.20  
 WILLAMETTE.—Albany, Aux., 11.75, Jr. C.E., 1.37, S.S., 7.05; Brownsville, Aux., 3.70; Corvallis, 14.22; Eugene, Aux., 7.50, C.E., 10; Florence, Aux., 3.75; Gervais, Aux., 2.60; Lebanon, Aux., 3, C.E., 2.50; Salem, Aux., 32.63, Jr. C.E., 4, 104.07

Total for quarter ending March 31, \$1,185.53  
 Total for year ending March 31, \$2,580.76

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